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# Rugby High School: partial re-opening to Year 10 students from week beginning 29th June

Dear Parent /Carer,

I hope that you are well, and I would like to begin by thanking you for all your support throughout Lockdown: our staff and Governors recognise what a difficult time this has been for everyone in our school community.

We are pleased to be able to inform you that from the week beginning 29<sup>th</sup> June, the school will be offering a partial reopening for Year 10 students for the final three weeks of term.

Our aim is to enable students to reconnect with school, to support student well-being, reacquaint students with learning in school, and provide an opportunity for students to "check in" with some of their teachers of their options subjects.

In order to comply with governmental and health and safety regulations, and to ensure we can provide the safest environment, our provision is unavoidably curtailed. We have undertaken a full risk assessment and all of the plans we have in place enable us to meet our responsibilities in terms of hygiene and minimising risk of spread of infection.

In addition to the information below, we will be sharing FAQs, relevant sections of our Risk Assessment and our social distancing etiquette which should address any other questions that you may have. You will be able to access these via the school website <a href="https://www.rugbyhighschool.co.uk">www.rugbyhighschool.co.uk</a> from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June.

It is important to note that, in line with government guidelines, we can only accommodate up to 25% of our Year 10 cohort on site at any one time.

#### How will our re-opening work for Year 10

Year 10 students will be invited to attend in form groups, which will then be divided into 4 smaller teaching bubbles of no more than 9 students, students will remain in their bubble throughout the day and will not mix with students from any other bubble.

Each Year 10 form is invited to attend one day per week for three weeks on the following rota.

10R Monday 10S Wednesday 10H Tuesday 10G Thursday



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#### The School Day

Students in Year 10 are asked to arrive between 8.30am and 9am, arriving via the street entrance from bus bay, students are to wait in bus shelter area and will be directed into school and to their classroom base by the SLT member on duty. They will enter the school building by the doors opposite the Art block. Students will be instructed to wash hands in the main set of toilets on the ground floor on their way to their classroom. A member of staff will be on duty to remind students. Students will follow a one-way route to the Acorn block and will enter through the normal entrance corridor and exit via fire doors. Throughout their time on school premises we expect all students to adhere to the social distancing policies in place.

The school day will formally start at 9am with a registration and short 'form time', during which, students will have the chance to reconnect with each other, and carry out some discussion and activities to support with the transition back to school.

The morning will then be divided into 2 sessions 9.30am 11am - Session 1, and Session 2 – 11.30am to 1pm. During this time students will have one taught lesson of Maths and one taught lesson of English, lessons will be delivered by our subject specialists.

The afternoon session will take place from 1.30pm until 3pm, each week different option subject teachers will be in school and students will be able to 'check in' with these teachers to discuss their progress and ask any questions they may have. These will not be taught lessons but will be an opportunity for students to reconnect with a range of teachers. Students will be seen by their options teachers on a rota of appointments which will be organised once we know which students are attending. During the afternoon session students will only mix with their option teachers and the other students in their bubble.

The school day will end at 3pm. At 3pm students will be dismissed from their bubble base and escorted through the site via the main toilet block to wash their hands before leaving the site via Room 3, the Psychology classroom. SLT will be on duty to support students waiting for transport home, and to ensure social distancing is maintained as students leave the site.

### **Break and lunchtime**

**During break 11.00 - 11.30am and lunch 1.00 to 1.30pm**, students will remain in their class bubble in an allocated space, and we would strongly encourage them to bring plenty of water and a packed lunch from home. If students want to buy a packed lunch or a breaktime snack from the canteen this must be ordered and paid for in advance. Payments will be cashless and finger prints will **not** be used. Students will remain in allocated areas for their bubble, supervised by staff.

The three-week timetable being offered can be seen on page 3 of this letter. We will be asking you to confirm your child's attendance and lunch preferences and to elect which subject teachers they would like to see each week via a link to a form shared via Parentmail. We will be asking you to complete this by the middle of each week, prior to attending. Please look out for this at the start of the week and return your responses promptly so that we can plan accordingly.



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## What can students bring into school

As well as their packed lunch, students may bring 1 A4 folder or 1 exercise book with them and 1 pencil case, A4 paper will be available in school for students to work on. They may also bring a device, this may be their phone via which they will be able to access the school WIFI if necessary. The sharing of devices or stationery will not be permitted.

#### Uniform

Students will not be required to wear school uniform but should wear clothing which is comfortable and appropriate for the school day.

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We have taken time to carefully plan for a meaningful return to school for both students and staff. We want to give students the opportunity to meet their classmates again, to re-experience classroom teaching where possible and meet with as many of their option teachers as possible. This planning was done in full consultation with Heads of Department and teaching staff who are working tirelessly to ensure that the students have the best possible experience, whether coming into school or working at home. When students are not in school remote learning will continue although teacher availability online will be slightly more limited when staff are in school.

We are looking forward to welcoming students back, if you have any questions after you have seen the Risk Assessments and FAQs please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

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### Year 10 Timetable model

Arrival 8.30 - 9am	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
9am - 9.30	Form time	Form time	Form time
Session 1 9.30 - 11am	Maths / English	Maths / English	Maths/ English
Session 2 11.30 – 1pm	English / Maths	English / Maths	English/ Maths
Session 3	Option subjects	Option subjects	Option subjects
1.30 – 3pm	French	Geography	History
	Spanish	Business	Art
	Latin	Music, Drama	PRS
	Biology	Chemistry	Physics

Each day will follow the same structure, so each form has the same experience.