

4<sup>th</sup> January 2021

## **Reopening of College - January 2021**

Dear Students/Parent and Carers,

As you are probably aware, the Government has made further announcements about colleges staggering their reopening for students following an increase in the Covid infection rates across the country. As a consequence, the revised arrangements are currently as follows:

### **Week commencing Wednesday 6th January**

- Students must work from home, other than vulnerable students who can work from college if they wish. Vulnerable students will receive an email inviting them into college. Students will be socially distanced and be working in silence. If you do not receive an invitation, you are not permitted to come into college.
- All learning will be delivered remotely. Students should follow their normal timetables and remote learning will be delivered via Google Classroom. This will be a combination of recorded lessons, live lessons & seminars as well as tasks and other work set on-line. If you are unable to complete the work that is set please contact your teacher to explain the reason.
- BTEC external exams continue as planned on Wednesday 6th & Thursday 7th January. Usual procedures apply, students should not arrive before 8.30am and will leave college once the exams are finished. Please refer to the original letter sent to exam students for full details.
- Criminology Controlled Assessment - this will continue as planned starting on Wednesday 6th January. Criminology students will receive a separate email giving them full details of the arrangements.
- BTEC mock exams were scheduled from 8th -18th January. These will be rescheduled to take place as soon as possible after the return of face to face education. We ask that students are patient whilst we make these arrangements in a rapidly changing set of circumstances.

### **Week commencing Monday 11th January**

- BTEC external exams & Criminology Controlled Assessment continue as planned on Monday 11th January.
- Upper Sixth A Level students return to college for face to face lessons from Tuesday 12th January and follow their usual timetable.

- **All other students** - All learning will be delivered remotely this week. Students should follow their normal timetables and remote learning will be delivered via Google Classroom. This will be a combination of recorded lessons, live lessons & seminars as well as tasks and other work set on-line. Students are not permitted to come to college. Vulnerable students will receive an email inviting them into college. Students will be socially distanced and be working in silence.

### **Week commencing Monday 18th January**

- It is our intention for all other students to return to face to face lessons this week. Further information will be provided nearer the time.

### **Covid Testing**

The college has been tasked with setting up as a Covid Testing Centre so students & staff can receive regular tests in college. Further information about the college's plans for testing will be forthcoming.

The Covid situation is changing rapidly, so **the above timeline is subject to change** following additional government announcements. I will update you as and when I have any further information.

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding with this very difficult situation

Best wishes,

Jane Hopcroft  
Principal