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Dear Parent/Carer

This week we have welcomed Year 10 and Year 12 students back to school on a part-time basis. Although it has not been school as we know it, it has been great to see that we are a step closer to having all our students in school. At this time, we do not want students in Key Stage 3 to think we have forgotten about them. Whilst we must wait for information from the government to find out when we can welcome more students back to school and in what numbers, I wanted to assure you that the planning that we can do is already taking place so that we will be fully prepared for opening to more students.

All the work that your child has completed as distance learning forms part of the work that would have been taught in the classroom. Heads of Department worked with their teams to design schemes of work for home learning that covered the topics and skills that could be most easily delivered as distance learning, so your child might have been learning things that would otherwise have been covered in the Autumn Term. We have now started planning future schemes of work to ensure that topics and skills that have been missed out will be covered when we return to school. A lot of planning will go into thinking how we can deliver new content and skills, whilst going over the topics that students have studied as part of their distance learning.

We are so proud of the effort that our students have put into their work and we know that as time goes by it gets harder to sustain that commitment to working. With four weeks left until the end of term, we are asking students to keep focused and keep their effort high. It is really important that your child continues to submit work to their teachers. Looking at the work students have produced will inform teachers about which students have understood well and which areas have been more challenging. All of this will inform our planning for the Autumn Term.

We recognise that more parents will be back at work now and unable to support their child with their work during the day. Please do not hesitate to contact us if support or help is needed with any aspect of your child's learning or well-being.

We would hope that in the next few weeks we will know more about our return to school in September and will be able to share with you how this will be for your child.

Yours sincerely

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