



Notley High School & Braintree Sixth Form

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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to the weekly update. We hope you and your family are well.

As we now know that the 'lockdown' will continue for another few weeks, and it is more than likely that details of a phased return to school may be announced next week, we are making plans for the remainder of the Summer term.

After half term, based on your feedback and our thoughts about the areas that need to be taught, the work for students will be set on a weekly basis. I will update you with more details later.

Hopefully, the students are contacting their teachers and form tutors, when they feel they need additional help. Students have been reminded that staff are available to support them.

Next week, we will introduce a weekly student bulletin, that will be emailed on a Monday and a parent/carer bulletin which will be sent out on Friday. We are aware some students are finding it a challenge, being isolated from their friends and not attending school. The bulletin will contain key messages and weekly fun challenges. The weekly wellbeing challenges have been popular, with some students telling us what they have been doing in the week. Please encourage your child to participate and to share what they have done with their tutors if they wish, although they do not have to send anything back if they do not want to.

We are also preparing for students to return to school, whenever that may be. Whilst we are considering many factors, there may be some that as parents/carers you consider important, that we may not have included. Please contact us if your child has specific concerns about returning to school after an extended period of absence. We appreciate it may be difficult for some students, but we will need to establish routines and positive learning behaviours as soon as possible.

Most students are following the government advice and staying at home. However, the school continues to provide supervision for students of key workers who need to access the school provision. If you need to access this provision please contact the school informing us of the specific dates, so suitable staffing can be arranged.

Thank you to those of you who have supported us in completing the 'welfare' checks for all students. **Please can I urge you to support us in responding to staff.** We appreciate most of the students will have no issues but in these challenging times we wish to provide as much support as possible.

If you have any suggestions regarding how we can support the students or engage them with school activities, please contact us.

During these challenging times our aim, as always, is about 'working together, achieving together'. If you need further support or information, please contact Dr Cusick.

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Finally, stay safe and thank you for your continued support during these difficult times.

Kind regards

Yours faithfully

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