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Dear Parent / Guardian

The Department for Education has asked secondary schools to provide face-to-face support to supplement the remote education of year 10 pupils, this should begin from 15 June.

Remote education should remain the prominent mode of education for students

There is a requirement to have no more than a quarter of students on site at any time.

I am mindful that a phased reopening needs to balance the education provision in school with that provided for those students still at home.

Although most children in year 10 will be able to come to school, some will be shielded and unable to attend, remote education will continue for these students.

We have created a [presentation](#), so that year 10 parents can make a decision about their children attending in the full knowledge of the planned safety and educational provision. The safety and welfare of our community is our first priority.

We will email the parents of each year 10 student with their allocated day and a link to indicate whether they will attend school.

We have used the largest spaces in the school to reduce the number of teachers on site who will be unable to deliver lessons as per their normal timetable whilst they are teaching year 10.

It also limits the exposure to infection of staff and students, it is important that we follow the best practice in biosecurity limiting the number of people on site.

If we had used classrooms, it would have meant 5 students per teacher in order to maintain social distancing, meaning three times as many teachers affected in delivering remote education.

I wrote to you previously about a review of our remote education. After half term, we will start using more live video lessons in our remote teaching, this will enable the teaching of more challenging concepts. We are also equipping staff with visualisers at home to enable them, when appropriate, to give more in depth visual feedback and explanation where students encounter difficulty.



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During a live video presentation students can communicate via audio but not video, they will however be able to see the presentation from the teacher. Only a proportion of lessons will be live, as now. We will continue to use the technology that enables us to see the work live on the student's screens in order to help them. Some presentations will be recordings shared in google classroom rather than delivered live, as we are aware that not all students are available at the time the lesson occurs on the timetable.

We now know that most students will not attend school till September at the earliest, so we will keep adapting our remote education to enable our students to progress, even during this difficult time.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Dallimore', written in a cursive style.

**Mr S Dallimore**  
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