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Dear Parent/Carer

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Wider Opening of Sir Thomas Wharton Academy for Year 10 - A Phased Approach

I hope that you and your family are keeping safe and well. We would like to thank you for your continued support and patience during these testing times. I know the disconnection from the Academy is challenging for students, teachers and parents/carers and all that you are doing to support home learning is greatly appreciated.

From Monday June 15th 2020, the schools in the Trust plan to increase our face to face provision for students in Y10 and Y12. The increase in provision and numbers will be undertaken in a staged and cautious manner. The health and safety of our students and staff will remain the priority, however we are confident that our approach outlined below will provide a safe, sensible and flexible way forward.

Stage 1 Face to Face Check-in Meetings from week commencing June 15th 2020

We would like to hold a face to face meeting with your child to discuss how they are getting on; their welfare, progress with their work and anything we can support them with in readiness to prepare for a phased return to school. These bookings can be made from Tuesday 16th until Friday 19th June. This is an opportunity to ask questions, share any challenges with their work or online learning. Students have a choice of how this will be done either:

a) **Face to face in school.**

This will be held in the Activity Hall with a member of pastoral or senior staff. The meeting will last up to 20 minutes. Social distancing will be observed at all times. Students must arrive promptly at the allocated time and report to the Sport Hall. They must leave site promptly afterwards. Please be aware that parents/carers will not be permitted to attend the meeting due to the need to keep visitors away from site. Please wait in the car park if you are intending to drop your child at school for the meeting. Students are required to wear uniform.

b) **Face to face online using Microsoft Teams.**

It's really easy.

- If you have a smart device or computer with a camera and microphone, you are invited to book a meeting remotely.
- Please use the link below to book your appointment. An email confirmation will be sent to you and your child to RSVP. This will then put the event in both calendars so you can join the Teams meeting on the day.
- If you don't have a PC or laptop you will have to set this up on a mobile device or tablet, please install the "Microsoft Teams" app:
<https://www.microsoft.com/en-gb/microsoft-365/microsoft-teams/download-app>.

- On the day of the meeting log in to your Microsoft Office account using your Student STWAcademy.com account (the same one used for SMHW/Hegarty/Classroom/O365). If you are using a desktop or laptop device, click on your calendar icon in outlook at the bottom left of your screen.
- On the day when your meeting is due to start, click the “Join Microsoft Teams Meeting” link in your Calendar Event. The member of staff will start the meeting.
- If you have any issues with setting this up, please contact the IT technicians at ITTechnicians@stwacademy.com, who will be happy to help you through it.

If you would like to book a face to face meeting either in school or online, please follow the link below to make an appointment by **Friday 12th June at 2 p.m.**

<https://stwa-y10.youcanbook.me>

In the meantime, students should continue accessing work from home through Show My Homework. There is a daily timetable of live teaching and learning for every subject. It is critical that students access these sessions so that they keep up to date with their learning. If you have any technical issues accessing the sessions, please contact ITTechnicians@stwacademy.com. Further information about Y10 online learning is available on the school website <https://www.stwcc.co.uk/online-learning> . If you wish to communicate with the Year 10 team, please email communications@stwacademy.com or message using the MyED app.

Day	Subject
Monday	10:00 – 10:45 Maths
	11:00 – 11:45 DIT / Computer Science
Tuesday	10:00 – 10:45 English
	11:00 – 11:45 Business Studies / Enterprise
Wednesday	10:00 – 10:45 Science
	11:00 – 11:45 French/PE
Thursday	10:00 – 10:45 History
	11:00 – 11:45 Technology
Friday	10:00 – 10:45 Geography / Health & Social
	11:00 – 11:45 Creative Arts

Stage 2: On site Subject Teaching week commencing June 22nd

From June 22nd we intend to offer three weeks of taught lessons for English, Maths and Science for all Year 10 students. These will complement the online learning. In accordance with national and local guidance, the Trust has undertaken significant risk assessments and health and safety checks, the building is being prepared with sanitisation stations, signage and the necessary adjustment to maintain social distancing. Each day will run from 9 to 12.30 pm. In accordance with government guidelines, students will attend on a rota and will work in small groups with much reduced numbers on site. I will write to you next week with further details but in the meantime, to assist us in our planning, I ask that complete the following short questionnaire to indicate your intention to send your child in to school. We ask if you could please do this by **9 a.m. Monday, June 15th**.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=RCH8FHWxYEaO1ZbPgVctRn7XGtVYlbpNq556jQncWe1UQkxEOUVGVVEE1ME5NWUqwSjITR0JDMzNQVj4u>

Yours sincerely



Mrs Y Bootman
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