

**To All Students/Parents and Guardians**

3<sup>rd</sup> July 2020

**Re: End of Term and Start of Autumn Term Information**

Dear Student (and Parent/Carers),

Please share this information as appropriate with your parents or carers and keep it in a safe place for reference.

On behalf of all staff I am writing to express that we are really proud of the way in which you have adapted to the challenges of learning at distance over the last three months, but also recognize that this period won't have been at all easy. Our hope is that you are able to make the best of the summer break despite the difficult and unusual circumstances that continue to affect normal life.

I am also writing to let you know our current thinking about the start of the new academic year. Whilst we all hope and aspire to have a more 'normal' return after the Summer, which may still be possible, the College has also been working hard to ensure that we have plans in place to enable all students have access to scheduled face to face and group learning activities from September.

Naturally, this will need to be in line with circumstances at the time and the national guidance once confirmed. We will give details about the exact arrangements in August, and will make sure our approach is safe, in line with that guidance and can deliver the face to face and group learning that we know students really want and need at this stage, even if that has to be as part of a blended approach with some elements continuing on-line initially.

Teaching will resume on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September the exact arrangements and timings will be communicated to you by email to your College email address during the week of 31<sup>st</sup> August.

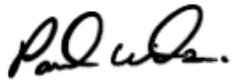
For nearly all students your courses will continue to be those you studied this year. PPMs will be back at work from Monday 17 August and are best placed to give any advice and answer any questions you may have over your enrolment for the second year at College.

A small number of you will be expecting external grade outcomes for courses that you have finished studying. These can be accessed on-line via the Student Info section of WQEOnline on Thursday 13 August for A Levels and Thursday 20 August for G.C.S.E.s. You will need the password you have used during this year at the College, it will not expire over the summer. Outcomes will be available on-line from 8.00am. PPMs will be back at work from Monday 17 August and so please wait until then for any advice you might need over your results.

Details of how to get help and support should you experience any difficult personal circumstances over the summer have been sent to you by separate e-mail and there is information on WQEOnline and the website should you need help and support for your personal wellbeing.

Finally, I hope that despite the national and local challenges presented by COVID-19, you have enjoyed this year of study with the College, gained positive new experiences, made and developed new friendships, and are already looking forward to the new academic year.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Wilson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "P" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

**Paul Wilson**  
**Principal**