Striving for Excellence

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Key Worker Group-Year 10

I do hope this letter finds you well and that the provision we are providing is making your lives a little easier.

As we continue with our second week of learning our group has seen new additions so I thought this would be a good time to outline what the pupils are experiencing and what is expected of them.

Pupils arrive by 8.50am, the normal school start time, as this gives them 15 minutes to get themselves organised on the various platforms they need to use and join the tutor time Teams session on a Monday and Assembly on a Friday. As per school rules mobile phones should be put away at this point.

Teams sessions begin by 9.15am and it is vital that each pupil has a pair of headphones to participate. Each of the 6 Teams sessions, per school day, lasts for 30 minutes. This allows the pupil to be taught the content of the lesson but then spend the last 10 minutes making sure that they complete the tasks set. It is very important and expected that pupils work independently between Team sessions; there is plenty for them to complete that does not fit into the 30 minute lesson and they must complete this work. It should remain quiet so that everyone can complete their tasks and if needed a reading book should be brought into school.

The school day is a very quiet affair with pupils engaged in their own learning. There are also days where the pupils do come in wearing PE kit and will participate in PE lessons too. Break time and lunchtime also follow the normal school timings and this has hopefully given the day its normal routine.

I have been very impressed with how the pupils have embraced their new timetable.

If you do have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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