

Dormers Wells High School

MATHS AND COMPUTING SPECIALIST SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

31st December 2020

We hope that you have had a restful and safe Christmas during these challenging times. I am writing with a further update from my letter of Thursday 17 December.

As per the national news yesterday, there will be a staggered start of term for students during the first three weeks of the new term.

Students who have an EHCP Plan or are under the care of a social worker will be able to attend provision from Tuesday 5th January and Ms Bhagat will liaise with you separately about this. Students whose parents are key workers will also be permitted to attend only if childcare is an issue and there will be a booking system for this which will be sent out to families on Monday.

The DFE guidance states that exam year groups should be prioritised for remote learning the first week with other year groups receiving remote learning as resources permit. We intend to deliver **remote learning to all students in all year groups** via Microsoft Teams from Tuesday 5th January to Friday 8th January 2021.

From the week commencing **Monday 11th January 2021**, students in Year 11 and Year 13 will be attending school following their normal school timetable. Students in Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 will be accessing their learning remotely at home.

From the week commencing **Monday 18th January**, all students in all year groups will return to school following their normal school timetable. In the event of any further national changes, we will of course notify you as soon as possible.

All remote learning will take place on Microsoft Teams. During the partial closure for specific year groups, students not in school will access their remote learning by following the normal school timetable. Please note that the school will be following Week 2, for the week commencing Monday 4th January.

The expectation is that students attend all remote lessons including assemblies and that they submit the work set by their teacher. This is not optional.

Students in Y12 & 13 who have an external public examination should still attend at the time of the examination.

As a school we have done extensive work to support students in accessing remote learning but if for any reason your child does not have access to an appropriate device, please contact us via the MyEd app and we will work with you to support with this in every way we can.



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If you have any questions or need support with any technical problems, please visit the DWHS YouTube Channel by [clicking this link](#). You can also message the MyEd app if you require further technical support.

May I also take this opportunity to wish you and your families a very happy and safe New Year.

Yours faithfully,

Ms R Walsh
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