



18 December 2020

Dear Parents / Carers

You will have seen in the media yesterday that the government have made another last minute decision regarding education provision in the first week of the spring term.

I can confirm that we will be having our staff training day as planned on Monday 4th January, this is a day of holiday for students with no remote learning.

Year 11 students and all our foundation learners will return as planned on Tuesday 5th January and follow their normal timetable.

In addition students whose parents are 'key workers' can also attend. Please see the COVID pages of our website for the government guidance on who is considered a key worker. If you are key workers and want your child to attend school from Tuesday 5th January please contact the school office on Monday 4th January by phone or e-mail office@tmws.co.uk before 12:00 lunchtime, so we can plan for those that will be in school. Students who attend school will access lessons remotely from IT rooms in the same way as those at home so that teachers can deliver remote learning.

All other students in Years 7 to 10 will work at home from Tuesday 5th January to Friday 8th January inclusive. Staff will be delivering live lessons via Google Meet, part of Google Classroom. Staff will message students on E-Praise with any instructions on Monday 4th January. Students will have lessons following their normal timetable for Week 1. All lessons will have some live input from teachers with students given tasks to complete using resources on Google Classroom, or other web based resources, for the remainder of the lesson. Work should be submitted on Google Classroom as requested and teachers will provide feedback. If staff are ill they may not be able to deliver the live part of the lesson but work will be set on E-Praise and Google Classroom. Students with key worker parents will access the same remote lessons via the computers in school so that all students will cover the same work. Teaching Assistants will be supervising and supporting those completing work in school.

Please ensure your child is up and ready to access learning from 9:00am. Lessons will follow the normal school timetable times including breaks and lunch. In core PE students will be given suggested activities to complete at that time or later in the day.

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If you need support with internet access or your child does not have a lap top or device to access the internet please contact the school on Monday 4th January and we will do our best to help.

I hope this is clear and apologise for the short notice but please also appreciate that these plans could change if the government make further announcements between now and 5th January 2021. At present the expectation is that **ALL students will return to school from Monday 11th January 2021.**

Please see the Christmas Newsletter for details of how parents in receipt of benefits can claim additional money for children in receipt of free school meals via East Riding Council. I have also explained the importance of informing me of any positive test results. The media are reporting that rapid testing will be available in school in January but as of today we have yet to receive any details on how these are to be administered.

I hope you manage to navigate through the COVID guidelines to have a safe but enjoyable Christmas. We can only hope 2021 will see a return to more predictable times.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Harrison'.

Richard Harrison

Headteacher

