



15th June 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Yesterday the government announced a 4-week pause at Step 3. Step 3 restrictions remain in place, including those set out in the COVID-19 Operational Guidance for schools.

It is our priority that all our education and childcare settings deliver face-to-face, high quality provision to all children and students. At a time when further easing of restrictions has been paused, the current system of controls will continue to be implemented in our schools.

This means our schools will encourage staff, and students, where applicable, to continue to test twice weekly and student bubbles will stay in place. The use of face coverings by students and staff will also continue to be encouraged in corridors and communal areas but is not mandatory.

Our Early year's settings will continue to minimise mixing by keeping children in consistent groups.

This means that traditional transitional day, parents' evening and open days are unlikely to be feasible this academic year.

It is with a heavy heart that we will cancel all Trips, Proms and Events that are planned.

We hope to be able to recommence trips and events in the next academic year 2021-2022.

I realise how disappointing this decision will be for the students.

Thank you for your continued support and let's look forward to an easing of restrictions at the end of July.

Parent Pay will process all refunds for trips that have already been paid for.

Yours sincerely,

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