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Dear Parent/Carer

### **VIRTUAL SCHOOL UPDATE**

I had hoped to be able to write to you with some firm details on the next stages for schools during the coronavirus lockdown. For our vulnerable and key worker students we remain open. Unfortunately, as you will have seen, the Prime Minister's speech did not clarify the situation for secondary schools apart from Years 10 & 12 possibly returning for some 'face to face' time before the end of the summer term. I have written to Year 10 parents for their feedback on the possible return.

For the time being, we continue with our online lessons for Year 12 and for all students, providing resources both in the form of hard copies and online through Show My Homework. Resources should be returned to school/uploaded back onto Show My Homework for marking. Thank you for the way your child has engaged.

It is our intention to hold AP2 assessments week commencing 22nd June 2020 in order for us as a school to ascertain where your children are at in terms of their subject knowledge. Further details of this will be sent out after half term.

Following on from this, I think it is reasonable to assume that we should prepare for the likelihood that Years 7, 8 & 9 students will not return to school until September and will continue with their virtual education until then. I am looking with staff as to how this can best be delivered. As you will know, there is a 'First Friday' meeting for parents tomorrow between 10.00 – 11.00am, and you are reminded that you are welcome to submit questions on this. You can join the meeting virtually by supplying us with your email address and questions by contacting the College on [enquiries@sta.islington.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@sta.islington.sch.uk).

All at the College are continuing to work hard to ensure that your son receives a good education. We continue to make our welfare and engagement calls and many have commented how positive these have been. The College remains open to the children of key workers as vulnerable students and the canteen remains open to work as a hub for local primary schools. These are now joined by a small number of students who are not engaging in the work set. We have also made arrangements to bring our new Year 7 students into school for a short orientation period after half term. The meeting for new Year 7 Parents take place next Wednesday.

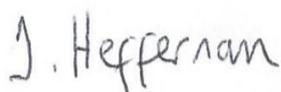
**Key Dates:** May half term is as normal (week commencing Monday 25th May 2020) with school re-opening on Monday 1st June 2020.

**Additional Resources:** We shortly hope to send out further hard copy resources for your son, as well as revision materials for the assessments. I have written on a number of occasions to offer support for connectivity, including the loan of laptops for students in receipt of free school meals (fsm). Please do update us if resources are needed. Remember to submit a claim for fsm if your circumstances change.

**Safeguarding:** During this particularly worrying time, we are all trying to ensure we keep our children safe as we would normally, not just from Coronavirus. If you feel that you, or your child, needs some additional support, please speak to the member of staff making welfare calls.

For the time being, please keep safe and well and continue to contact the school should your child/children need additional support whether it be in terms of their work or their well-being. You, and your families, remain in our thoughts and prayers.

Yours sincerely,



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