



26/06/20

Dear Parent or Carer,

I hope this finds you and your families well. This letter contains updates on our in-school provision, distance learning, parent communications, uniform and Y9 options.

School Provision

Families will be aware we are offering face to face sessions for keyworker, SEND, Y10 and Y12 students, following strict social distancing guidelines in school.

This provision and the measures in place remain unchanged and we are not currently aware of any plans for this to change following 4 July. The guidance can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/preparing-for-the-wider-opening-of-schools-from-1-june/planning-guide-for-secondary-schools>

If the guidance should change, we will of course plan around this, and we will keep parents and carers informed.

Distance Learning

Thank you for your feedback - this and input from students has produced our new timetable for google meets for all Y7, 8, 9, 10 and 12. This was groupcalled to parents and carers earlier this week and establishes regular slots weekly and fortnightly in advance of live lessons to supplement the distance learning we are setting.

Parent Communication

You'll have had an email this week about our new communications package, Weduc. This will bring all of our communications onto one app, and will include the facility to contact teachers directly, make payments, check students' attendance and timetables - amongst others. Please be patient with us over the coming weeks as we set up this functionality on the system. As elements of the app come on stream, you will receive updates and notifications.

Uniform

Please see attached a separate letter regarding an amendment to uniform from September 2020. This has been put in place to ensure our uniform is as cost effective as possible for families, whilst remaining smart and practical.

Y9 Options

Parents and carers in Y9 were emailed earlier this week with details of confirmed option choices for the start of September. Please let Ben Cotton know if you have any questions:

bcotton@kingedwardvi.devon.sch.uk

Finally, a huge thank you to the students who put on such an amazing online music show last night - 'Loungefest'. As ever, they were brilliant and fantastically supported behind the scenes by Nicky Hansford and Tom Greig, and on top of it all they raised money for St John's Ambulance. You can see

the performances in full at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5VP0ixKSKSo> and make a donation at www.justgiving.com/fundraising/keviccloungefest

Many thanks for the continuing support you are showing in these difficult times to your young people and the College.

With best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alan Salt', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Alan Salt
Principal