

22nd June 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope that you are all keeping well.

Following our exciting news from the DfE last week about the potential of Key Stage 3 coming in for a face-to-face appointment, I am pleased to write to you with further plans for this for the coming weeks.

All students across Year 7, Year 8 and Year 9 will be invited in for a 30 minute appointment with their tutor/head of year. The purpose of this appointment is twofold. Firstly, we know how anxious some of the students will be feeling about returning to school after such a long period of time. In order to ease that anxiety, we want to invite them in one-to-one to answer any questions they may have. We will also talk to them about how they have been getting on with school work, any barriers that they have had and offer them any further support they need.

Appointments will take place as follows:

Week commencing 29th June – Year 7

Week commencing 6th July – Year 8

Week commencing 13th July – year 9

Students need to complete the following link to indicate when they would like an appointment and we will then send them an email with a confirmed time. They have until Friday 26th June at 9am to sign up for an appointment.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=LuLr9FO180SIVj4NhJCOuJ3I5BxLxw5A1CKKTPyHePBUQU1EM1MwSDI5U01UWjIVUDBOMDU2U0E4SC4u>

So far this week we have held two 'live Q and A' events. The events offered the students the opportunity to ask any questions they had about the remainder of this academic year and the following year.

Times/days are as follows for the remaining 'live' events:

Year 7 – Thursday 25th June at 1pm – 1:45pm

Year 8 – Wednesday 24th June at 2pm – 2:45pm

Setting of work – Y7 to Y9

Work will continue to be set on TEAMS for all students.

As before, if you have any concerns regarding the work which is being set for your child, please contact your child's Head of Year on the email addresses below:

Miss Hemm – lhemm@nusa.org.uk
Miss Malhi – gmalhi@nusa.org.uk
Miss Strawson – lstrawson@nusa.org.uk
Mr James – lujames@nusa.org.uk

If you require paper based copies of work, this will now be available for collection **every Monday between the hours of 10 and 11 am.**

Questions you may have:

How will my child know when they should be in?

Your child will receive an email with their time for their appointment.

I am worried about my child attending as we are shielding/clinically vulnerable/anxious?

We want to assure you that we are making the school environment as safe as we possibly can. We would love to see all of the children return, but we also understand that you may not wish to send your child in.

When will my child return to school full-time?

We are really hoping to have all of the children back in full-time by the start of September. However, we are still waiting on guidance from the Government regarding the procedures surrounding social distancing for the new academic year.

We really miss all of your children and look forward to welcoming them back as soon as we can.

Yours Sincerely,

Emma Howard
Head of School