



Dear Parent/Carer,

Firstly, can I thank you for your continued patience, support and feedback as we have continued to work on our plans to provide some face-to-face contact for students in Year 10 and 12 to support their remote learning.

I know many of you and your children are anxious about this and will have wanted clarity on our plans and dates, however, I am sure you can appreciate how hard it has been for us to be clear given the national and local uncertainty.

We are seeking to welcome students from Year 10 and Year 12 back into school for some face to face learning starting in the week beginning Monday 22th June 2020.

We are really excited and looking forward to seeing our students again in our school! Covid is not a risk which can be completely removed, but in the last few weeks we have worked hard to ensure the school is ready to reduce the risks of Covid transmission as much as we possibly can.

The actions we have taken so far are:

-  A risk assessment and associated actions have been completed using Local Authority and DFE Guidance which is taken from the Health and Safety Executive and Public Health England.
-  This process has been supported by colleagues from Bentley Motors with significant Health and Safety expertise alongside the schools Health and Safety advisors.
-  The Chair of Governors has also completed a site walk to quality assure the approach.
-  The full risk assessment is available to view on our website here - <https://www.utccrewe.co.uk/covid-19-coronavirus/> , although the attached Parent Guide provides a summary.

For planning purposes, we have adopted an approach of caution for the next phase of re-opening; we are following the technical advice we have received and safety is our first priority. In most key areas we are doing far more than the guidance suggests.

What will year 10 and 12 students experience?

Careful consideration has gone into these proposals and we are working within the Government guidance: This means that we can only have 25% of the students on site at any one time. Clearly this will limit what we are able to offer on site for Year 10 and Year 12, however, we are confident that the sessions we have planned will bring a huge benefit to students that do attend. We think we can support them, teach them directly, and help ensure they are up to date with their work.

PHASE 1 - Year 10 and 12 from 22nd June 2020

-  Students and parents/carers will be notified before Friday 19th June if they are expected in from the 22/06/20
-  Year 10 and 12 students will be placed in 'bubbles'.
-  The bubbles will be in small groups of no more than 10 students per classroom so that we can ensure social distancing and that the teacher has proper time to support each student.
-  They will be using the computer room so that they can access the virtual work from their teachers

All other students will continue with their timetable of 'live lessons' delivered via Microsoft Teams which students will be able to access from home via any device (phone, tablet, laptop).





PHASE 2 - Year 10 and 12 from 6th July 2020

-  Students and parents/carers will be notified before Friday 3rd July if they are expected in from the 06/07/20
-  Year 10 and 12 students will be placed in 'bubbles'.
-  The bubbles will be in small groups per classroom so that we can ensure social distancing and that the teacher has proper time to support each student.
-  They will be timed so that students can avoid travel at peak times.
-  In addition, start and end times will be staggered to further avoid mixing.

When your child isn't in the UTC they should continue with their timetable of 'live lessons' delivered via Microsoft Teams which students will be able to access from home via any device (phone, tablet, laptop).

My main objective is that each student group will have face-to-face time with a teacher, initially to support and mentor students around their online learning and also help support their routines and wellbeing. There will be some direct teaching as part of the sessions, there will also be support with completing learning from the virtual school and crucially other specialist teachers streamed into the room to directly teach.

Each invited Year 10 and 12 student and their parents/carers will receive a phone call the week before they are due into the UTC to explain when they are expected in and answer any questions or concerns you may have. This is a huge amount of phone calls to make so please bear with us, we will work through them as quickly as we can. I thought it was important that it was communicated in this way so it was more personal and students and parents/carers can raise any concerns.

Yours sincerely,



Principal