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Year 10 'Face-to-Face' support information for parents update for week beginning 29.06.2020

Overview

Owing to the success of the past two weeks where the Year 10 pupils have received on-site face-to-face support from teachers, we have chosen to build upon this programme. We feel it is extremely important that we enable pupils to have some face-to-face time with subject specialist teachers in as many curriculum areas as we possibly can. As such, pupils next week will receive a lesson in each of their options subjects and their languages subject during the day. To facilitate this, it is necessary for us to alter our school procedures and planning whilst keeping health and safety as a priority. Pupils will continue to attend school on the day allocated to them for the past two weeks. They will then attend lessons with subject specialist teachers in groups of no more than 15 pupils. Clearly, this does increase the amount of pupils coming into contact with each other during the day compared with the last two weeks, however, we are still operating within the government guidance for secondary schools and will be strictly enforcing the 2m social distancing rules on-site.

Daily Timetable

Time	Activity	
8.30 - 8.45am	Arrival	
8.45am - 9.00am	Morning registration	
9.00am - 10.20am	Option A subject	
10.20am - 10.40am	Morning break time	
10.40am - 12.00pm	Option B subject	
12.00pm - 12.45pm	French/Spanish	
12.45pm - 1.15pm	Lunch time	
1.15pm - 1.50pm	French/Spanish	
1.50pm - 3.20pm	Option C subject	

Arrival

On arrival at school, pupils should go straight to the allocated classroom they have been working in for the past two weeks. Morning registration will take place and the plan for the rest of the day will be explained. Staff will be in the classroom to welcome the pupils. There will be markers in the corridor or outside showing a two-metre distance in case pupils arrive at the same time. **Parents are not permitted in reception**. There will be staff supervising the arrival to help pupils get to the correct classroom. If pupils are arriving by:

- Bus pupils will be dropped off on the bus turn as normal
- Car pupils are required to be dropped off on the bus turn
- Taxi pupils will be dropped off on the bus turn
- Walking pupils are required to enter via the pavement on the bus turn

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Departure

At the end of the day, pupils will need to leave school without congregating with others. If you are picking up your child, please park in the main car park (there should be plenty of space) 5 minutes before the scheduled finish time. **Parents are not permitted in reception**. We should be able to avoid congestion given the relatively small numbers of pupils attending school.

Transport

Social distancing must be observed whilst at the bus stop and pupils should follow the instructions given by the driver. There should not be any car sharing with pupils from other households. If pupils are walking, it is important that they maintain social distancing on their way to school.

Pupil well-being

There will be pastoral support available on each day pupils are in school.

The classroom

We have chosen the most suitable classrooms and ensured they are spread out across the school. Each classroom will have the necessary number of desks at a two-metre distance from each other. Pupils should bring their own writing equipment and schoolbooks to the lesson. There will be a teacher zone at the front of the classroom enabling the teacher to stay two metres away from all pupils. Pupils will leave the classroom one by one, maintaining social distancing.

Attendance monitoring

If a pupil who we are expecting does not arrive in school, we will phone home to inform parents/guardians. It is vital that if your child is scheduled to attend and cannot make it, for whatever reason, you contact the school to let us know and to provide the reasons why. If they are unwell, we would need to know if they are displaying Covid-19 symptoms.

Break and lunch times

We ask that pupils bring their own filled water bottle. We will provide a lunch service in the canteen to enable pupils to buy food and drink. Pupils are permitted to bring their own packed lunch for the day. All Year 10 pupils will have the same break and lunch times as each other, but will be expected to observe social distancing rules.

Dress code

All pupils will be expected to wear their school PE kit and trainers. If pupils wish to wear an extra layer, they should wear their school jumper and either blue or black tracksuit bottoms. Pupils are not permitted to wear their own choice of sports clothing.

Medical arrangements

It is important that any medical condition is known about and that only those who should attend do so. Initially, please consult your GP/health professional if your child has a medical condition that may make them more vulnerable than others. If pupils or family members are currently shielding, then the Government advice is that the pupil should not attend. If pupils become unwell during the day they will be directed to a medical room. If they are showing coronavirus symptoms they will be isolated in a separate part of the school. There will be first-aider available to help with any issues with appropriate PPE if necessary.

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Behaviour policy

With the limited time pupils have in school and the potential risk to safety, behaviour will always need to be excellent. A pupil will be given one warning if poor behaviour continues a member of SLT will be called for and the pupil removed. Parents will be called to collect their child. Jewellery, make-up, and mobile phone school rules will still apply.

Provision for shielding pupils

We are continuing to look at the best possible ways of providing equal opportunity to those pupils who are unable to attend school for face-to-face support. Staff will be in touch with these pupils separately to offer support.

How will pupils be kept safe and the risk minimised

We cannot make a promise of a completely risk-free environment, but we have done all we can to ensure that any potential risk is minimised. We have drawn up a comprehensive risk assessment and have taken many measures including:

- Pupils going straight to their classroom on arrival
- Hand sanitising stations will be readily available
- Staff will be on duty when pupils arrive and leave to help them get to the correct classroom and to maintain social distancing
- Signs will be around the school reminding pupils of the need to socially distance and hand hygiene
- Welcome messages at the start of each day in their classrooms will remind pupils of all measures they need to take to keep themselves and others safe
- Resources will be available on desks at the beginning of the day to minimise teacher circulation of the classroom; Pupils should bring their own pencil case and books where necessary
- All classrooms will be thoroughly cleaned at the end of each day
- Mixing with 'Key Worker' pupils will be avoided
- There will be supervision during the day to help ensure social distancing is always maintained, including morning break, lunch time and use of facilities
- Washrooms will be cleaned during the school day to maintain hygiene levels
- Teaching staff have received training on how to maintain a safe environment and what to do in different situations
- Air conditioning units have been disabled and will not be used on the school site

If you do have any further questions please do not hesitate to get in touch using admin@corbetschool.net

We look forward to seeing you.

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