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Dear Parents / Carers,

I am writing to you to outline some key updates about school re-opening for Year 10 and Year 12 students and our continued response to the Covid-19 situation.

It has been a hard few weeks for us all. The recent events surrounding the death of George Floyd in America have been at the forefront of our minds over the last week. We were sickened and deeply saddened by this appalling and tragic event and as a school community, we stand in solidarity with all of those who are campaigning peacefully about the death of George Floyd and about the wider 'Black Lives Matter' movement. We understand that some of our students may wish to protest at this time; we ask that if they do, they do this peacefully, safely and in agreement with parents and the rules around lockdown. We will be sharing some resources with students around this issue next week via tutors and on our student VLE, and encourage our staff and students to talk about this issue openly and honestly. If you are concerned about your child's wellbeing around this issue, then please contact your child's year leader so that we can offer support.

Yesterday, our staff said goodbye to Dr Thompson-Davis in a virtual, staff memorial service. As you know, Dr Thompson-Davis passed away at the beginning of May, and we all still mourn his tragic death. Once students return to school, we will hold a memorial assembly so that students can also say goodbye to this wonderful teacher. We continue to offer our support and condolences to his family at this time.

You will be aware that the government has announced that they wish for **Year 10** to have some 'face to face time' with teachers. **At the moment, we plan for this to begin from Monday 15th June 2020.** We will let you know if this date changes and will be writing to you with further details around this next week. **We will also be issuing a survey to establish whether you intend to send your Year 10 child to school. Please continue to check your email and our website for updates and communication around this and for access to the survey next week.**

In drawing up our plans we have gone through a detailed risk assessment where we have considered staff, student and community safety as the first priority. We have looked at which combination of students can come in at any time, along with how we might use our school site to best manage social distancing. We have also drawn up detailed plans around cleaning, site management, movement around site and infection management.

We will be communicating the specific details around how Year 10s will return to school to Year 10 parents at the beginning of next week and all of the information will be available for all parents and students to view on our website from next week.

We also plan to invite **Year 12** back to some face to face time at a later date. We will provide more information on this in the next few weeks.

All other year groups will remain at home for the rest of this term, continuing with remote learning. If you feel that your child is not coping, or you are struggling to access the materials, please do let us know so that we can support you.

If you are a keyworker or if your child has an ECHP and / or social worker, your child can still come to school at this time, regardless of the year group he or she is in. Please just let us know at keystudents@greenford.ealing.sch.uk if you wish your child to attend.

My continued best wishes to you all at this difficult time,



Mrs M Pye
Headteacher