



Diocese of St. Albans



1 June 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope this letter finds you well, and hopefully you had a good-half term break. I thought it wise to update you on where education at St Mary's is going this half-term.

Yr7, Yr8 and Yr9:

Education will continue online up to the end of term. There is no planned face-to-face school provision for students at this time.

Yr10 and Yr12:

The Government is *"asking secondary schools to offer ... face-to-face support to supplement the remote education of year 10 and year 12 pupils, which should remain the predominant mode of education during this term for pupils in these year groups... Any plans that secondary schools have made for pupils to return earlier in June should be amended to commence from 15 June."*

Therefore, online /at home education will continue to be the main form of delivery and we will be looking at how we support this with *some* face-to-face provision. As I said in my letter on the 15 May ([here](#)), this will be done with health and safety of the community as a priority, rather than a return to education in the way that we understood it before 20 March, when schools closed.

We are using the Hertfordshire Risk Assessment to put in place arrangements to protect the entire community and once the Governors and I are confident that we can manage face-to-face contact safely, we will let you know how this will be organised.

I understand you may have many questions on the 'how' and 'what' and I will share this with you at a later stage, and before 15 June. Can I politely ask that you do not email/call the school asking for further details; we have few staff on site at the moment and responding to large number of queries will simply slow down the process.

Y11 and Y13:

Work on submitting the centre assessed grades is coming to a close. Students will find out their grades in August on the planned dates (set before exams were cancelled: 13 August for A level, 20 August for GCSE); please remember we are unable to give any indication on what those grades may be. Enrollment to St Mary's 6th form is taking place from A level results day; there will be further communication about that nearer the time.

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Thank you for your hard work, support and kind words over the last few months – if you wish to let me know about any members of staff who have been supportive in some way, please email me on head@st-maryshigh.herts.sch.uk and I will pass on your thanks. At a time when we are not meeting as a community it is lovely to hear about the work of my colleagues from the point of view of the families.

Please continue to take care.

Yours faithfully



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