To all parents, carers and families of Longley Park Sixth Form students

Dear all,

I hope that you and your loved ones are keeping safe and well.

I am writing to update you on plans for re-opening the Sixth Form. As you know, we stopped having lessons in the building at the end of March as the country went in to lockdown. Since then teachers have kept in touch with students on-line with resources and activities to help them prepare for next year, whether that be at Longley Park Sixth Form or moving on to their next step.

We understand that lots of students are missing their friends and 'normal' lessons. We all miss the support of the Sixth Form community and we have now been apart for 3 months! We also know that it is a challenge to keep motivated under these unusual circumstances.

The Government has confirmed that they would like post-16 schools, academies and colleges to offer face to face support to students in Year 12 alongside on-line learning. At Longley Park that means students on the first year of a Level 3 programme. All students in this group have been contacted directly and offered 1:1 appointments with one of their teachers either in the Sixth Form or by telephone. Information about how these appointments will be organised and how we will keep students safe and well if they come into the building is available on our website and will be sent directly to the students concerned.

It is a great shame that we are not in a position to have all students back in the Sixth Form. I have received lots of messages from students asking when they come back and I know that this will be really disappointing. However, we will not be able to resume classroom delivery until September at the earliest.

Lots of students are coming to the point where their courses would have finished, and this is the time of year when we would be planning Awards and Celebration events. While we can't do this in the usual way, we will be in touch with all of our students to wish them well. We are very proud of them!

Students who are moving up to the next level of study here at Longley Park in September will be contacted over the next few weeks to confirm their course choices.

We will send out more information about arrangements for exam results, enrolment and the start of the new academic year as soon as possible.

Wishing health and happiness to you all

Yours sincerely

Mo Nisbet

Principal