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Dear parents/carers,

## Re: possible reopening of school to more students in June

We are writing to inform you of our decision to re-open the College to selected students in years 10 and 12 from the 15<sup>th</sup> June and year 10 from the 22<sup>nd</sup> June **if** the government thinks it is safe to do so. This is unlikely to be on a full-time basis, but will allow students to get some face-to-face contact with teachers to support their home learning.

It is a very unsettling time for us all, but I want you to feel secure in knowing that we are doing everything we can to make sure we are ready to receive these year groups.

We are creating a detailed action plan, a summary of which we will share with you so that you know what the school's reopening will look like in practice. Precautions that we will be taking include:

- Limiting group sizes
- Staggering breaks and arrival and dismissal times
- Increased cleaning
- Keeping students and staff with coronavirus symptoms at home
- Sharing protocols and expectations with students
- Professional Development for staff

It will be important that your child adheres to all the precautionary measures and protocols once they are on the school premises. We know we can count on your support to ensure this when they come to school. If your child is self-isolating, clinically extremely vulnerable, or living with someone who is in this group, they should not return to school and should continue learning at home. If your child is clinically vulnerable (but not clinically extremely vulnerable), you should follow medical advice to decide if they should come back to school. Please refer to government guidance for further details of these groups.

I want to reassure you that we will not put any pressure on any student to come into school. We will keep you updated with all our preparations for making sure the school is as safe as possible, so you and your child can make an informed decision about whether to come in.

In the meantime, the school is still open **only** for vulnerable students and the children of critical workers. We know some employers will be encouraging you to return to work, but we are not in a position right now to extend places to other students until we receive further clear government guidance.

If you have any questions, please get in touch in the normal way using our Contact Us email or by telephone. [contactus@rooksheath.harrow.sch.uk]

Warm regards

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