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**Head Teacher:**  
Mr R S Samra B.A., M.A.

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you will be aware from the national news and Government updates there will be a full return of students to schools at the start of the Autumn Term. I want to confirm that Southam College will follow all Government guidance and;

- Be open to all students in all year groups for full time provision
- Will be providing access to the full curriculum ensuring students have the opportunity to study all subjects.

In following government guidance we at all times attempt to;

- Minimise contact with individuals who are unwell by ensuring that those who have Covid 19 symptoms or who have someone in their household who does, do not attend school.
- Ensure that hands are cleaned more often than usual. This will in time build a hand cleaning culture throughout the whole school community.
- Enhance our cleaning capacity during the school day.
- Ensure good respiratory hygiene by promoting 'catch it, bin it, kill it'.
- Minimise contact between individuals and as much as possible maintain social distancing.
- Produce a detailed risk assessment outlining how we will keep all stakeholders as safe as possible.

In addition to the above and to keep our students and staff as safe as possible, students will be in kept in Year Group bubbles at the start of next term. This is to reduce transmission risks posed by Covid 19.

At this initial stage I can confirm that each bubble will be allocated a toilet block, canteen food servery, inside social space and outside social space. Students will be expected to return in full uniform, in line with Government guidance, however we ask that students attend in their PE kit on days when they have a PE practical lesson, in order to allow them to take part in this activity.

We appreciate that you may have more questions and are working on the finer details of the plan outlined above. In order to assure you that we have done as much as possible in ensuring a safe return to school we will publish a frequently asked questions document on Tuesday.

Parents/Carers are invited to email [southamcollege@welearn365.com](mailto:southamcollege@welearn365.com) with further questions that are not answered by this document. A full list of questions asked by parents/carers will be published on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July.

In order to help us prepare for the new structures that will be in place for September, **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July will be a Training Day for staff.** No students will be in school on this day and no tasks will be set via Show My Homework. Students will be provided with revision lists for each subject, so that they can review their progress over this year and see an overview of the content covered. These will be given to students in their registration meetings next week and will be available on the curriculum section of our website.

The return to school in September will be:

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September: Training Day**

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September: Term starts for Years 7 and 12 students**

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September: Term starts for Years 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13 students**

We appreciate the support and feedback that you have given us over the last four months. We were delighted to receive nearly 600 responses to the recent parent survey. Feedback from this will be published in this term's newsletter. There will be many questions to answer over the next few weeks, rest assured that we will publish as much information as possible for both parent/carers and students as plans are finalised.

Yours sincerely,



Miss M Mason  
Senior Deputy Head