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Dear Parents/Carers

Government Announcement regarding a Phased Opening in January

I am sure you will be aware that the Government Department for Education have recommended that all schools and academies stagger the students return after the Christmas break. This is to allow all staff to plan and prepare thoroughly the on-site testing, which will be implemented in all schools and academies. More information regarding this testing in schools will be communicated to all parents in January when we have been given all the guidelines and training. Please be assured that no testing will take place until you have been fully informed of the procedure or without your permission. Therefore, the arrangements for students to return is as follows:

Monday January 4: All staff in for planning and preparation for the new procedures and testing. **No students on site.**

Tuesday 5 January-Friday 8 January: Year 7, Year 8, Year 9 Year 10 and Year 12 working from home (remote learning)

Tuesday 5 January - Friday 8 January: Year 11, Year 13 and DSP students in for lessons.

Monday 11 January: All students back in the Academy.

The majority of the remote learning for students will be communicated through Classcharts, but further instruction may be communicated on 4 January. **Year 10 students who are studying Vocational subjects will be contacted individually by 9am on 4 January to inform them when they will be required to attend to prepare for their Public Exams starting on 11 January. Year 12 students who have exams in January will also be contacted individually.**

If you have registered with us as a key worker and you are unable to accommodate your child to work at home for the four days, please inform us by email: principal@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org to arrange alternative provision. Please state your child's full name and which of the four days (Tuesday 5 – Friday 8) you need provision for. We must be notified in advance to enable us to organise supervision. We will reply to you by email when all staff are back on 4 January.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

Mrs M Newman
Principal