Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you and your families are well. As the new Head of Sixth Form, I am really looking forward to welcoming all Year 13 students back at the start of what I hope will be a very successful year for us all. I am writing to update you on the arrangements for the start of term.

Year 13 will begin the school year on **Thursday 3rd September** and need to be in school for **10am.** Students must fully adhere to the Sixth Form Dress Code and are expected to arrive in full school uniform. All Year 13 form groups will now be based in the science block. Students are to go directly to the science block on arrival; rooming details will be posted on the doors to the block and to Google Classroom on Tuesday 1st September.

Students will have tutor time where they will receive their timetables and further information regarding changes at the school in response to Covid-19. Year 13 lessons will begin in the afternoon. We appreciate that students will not know which lessons they have and recommend that students bring a notebook and pen for the day. If students do not have any lessons on Thursday afternoon, they will be required to leave the school site. Year 13 students always have a later start on Fridays and so will not be required to be in school on that day (September 4th) until they have a lesson. Please also note that Maggie’s is currently closed to the sixth form. This is to enforce social distancing and maintain ‘bubbles’ within the school.

In order to reduce the pressure on the sixth form study areas this term, we will be implementing home study for some Year 13 students based on how they perform during **Assessment Week** (the week beginning **September 14th**) and their overall performance last year. More information regarding this will be provided when school returns.

If you have any further questions please email either myself (monaghanp@st-marks.hounslow.sch.uk) or the Head of Year 13, Mr Windmill (windmill@st-marks.hounslow.sch.uk).

Yours sincerely,

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