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Dear parents/carers

It is again very frustrating that our students in Year 10 and Year 12 have had to self isolate and revert to online learning this week due to positive Covid-19 cases. We look forward to welcoming back our **Year 12** students on **Tuesday 13th July** and **Year 10** students on **Friday 16th July**.

#### **End of Term**

Our school year ends at **13:00** on **Monday 19th July** for students in Years 7 to 10. On this day, students do not have to wear their school uniform as activities with tutors are planned for after breaktime.

**Post 16** teaching ends on **Friday 16th July** for **Year 12** students across Newport; however, our Year 12 tutors will be available to meet with students before the end of term on Monday 19th July (11:00 - 13:00).

#### **Start of Autumn Term 2021**

We have almost finalised the first day arrangements for our students in the autumn term; these will be shared in my letter next week. In line with other Newport Schools, we are planning for **Year 7 and Year 12** to return on **Monday 6th September** and **Years 8 to 11 and Year 13** on **Tuesday 7th September**.

It is difficult for us to plan for the arrangements to mitigate against Covid-19 in the autumn term as we are still awaiting guidance from Welsh Government about bubbles, close contacts, masks etc. The rules may change over the summer holidays. Therefore, we will share more detailed information on restrictions and the structure of the school day the week before we return to school in September.

I hope you have a good weekend.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Curtis'.

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Headteacher/Pennaeth