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Dear Parents/Carers

Please accept our apologies for sending another letter to you at the end of term with further changes to the start of next term. Today we have received confirmation by the Department for Education of arrangements regarding the start of the Spring Term.

From Tuesday 5 January only Year 11 students will be expected to be onsite to attend lessons. All other year groups will follow their normal timetable via remote learning. Further details are available on the school website outlining how to access remote learning.

The school will also be open to students of key workers. If you would like your child to access their remote lessons at school, please confirm your request by Monday 4 January by emailing [office@ramseyacademy.com](mailto:office@ramseyacademy.com).

All students will be expected to return to school as normal on Monday 11 January.

You may also have seen in the media the announcement that mass COVID19 testing will be available for secondary schools and colleges from January. It is important to share with our school community that we were only informed of this development on Tuesday. There is a significant amount of preparation required before this approach can be implemented and we have not yet received any of the equipment or training necessary for this testing to take place. Therefore, the current approach to contact tracing, self-isolation for close contacts and remote learning will continue until such time that a testing approach is implemented. Until we receive the equipment and guidance, we cannot yet confirm a timescale for any changes. We will write to you with further information about the approach including the approach to consent, once we have more details, in the new year.

As always, thank you for your continued support during these challenging and ever-changing times.

Stay safe and best wishes

Yours faithfully



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