



Dear Parent/Carer

I am pleased to say that we are now nearing the end of our unexpected period of school closure. I would like to thank you for the support you have shown during this time and to applaud your children for continuing to engage in school work and for attending live lessons. We have, again, been impressed with the resilience of our community.

All students will return to school next Tuesday 6 July, unless your child has received a positive PCR result with a period of self-isolation beyond that date. If that is the case, please inform us by emailing hello@gra.hlt.academy to advise us of their return date. Any student in this situation MUST continue to follow the guidance for self-isolation. When we reopen next Tuesday, and after consultation with NYCC and Public Health England we will be maintaining the following measures:

- Staff and students will be required to continue to wear face coverings in classrooms and corridors until further notice
- Twice weekly lateral flow testing will continue; if you require additional testing kits please ask your child to speak to their Form Tutor. Please continue to report any positive results to hello@gra.hlt.academy or by phoning the school

We will also be reminding students of the importance of regular hand washing and the continued use of sanitiser. Please reinforce the importance of these measures with your child and ensure they have a face covering with them each day. Those who are exempt will remain so and should ensure they have their lanyard/pass with them.

Due to the closure we have had to alter some key dates as follows:

- Y10 exams will resume on Tuesday 6 July - the new timetable has been shared with all students and Y10 families.
- Y10 reports will be sent home on Monday 19 July and the Y10 Tutor Evening will be held remotely on Tuesday 20 July.
- Y7 Parents Evening will be held remotely on Tuesday 13 July

Detailed information for these events has been sent to the relevant families. If you have any questions please contact Miss Umpleby for Year 10 and Mr Hutchinson or Mr Smythe for Year 7.

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I would like to take this opportunity to share with you some information about a new tool which has been designed to empower children to stop the spread of nude images online. It is being promoted by the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership and has been created by *Childline* and the *Internet Watch Foundation*. Further information can be found by following this link: [Childline – Remove a nude image shared online](#)

This period of school closure has served as a really sobering reminder that Coronavirus is still here. Cases are again rising across the country and we must continue to be vigilant and follow all guidance to ensure our health, safety and well-being. This will help us to minimise further transmission, avoid more cases and self-isolation in the run up to the summer break. The last thing we would want is for anyone to have to start the summer holidays with a period of self-isolation. I would like to wish any of our students or members of our community who remain unwell a very speedy recovery. Above all, I am looking forward to welcoming everyone back into school on Tuesday!

Yours faithfully

Emma Robins
Principal