



Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Following my letter yesterday, I wanted to provide you with further details about the education provision Year 9 will be receiving next week.

### **What will arrangements look like for Year 9 students?**

Providing Year 9 students with a full timetable of face-to-face lessons currently is not possible due to the situation we currently face. We will welcome Year 9 students back into school for the first time on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September. An enormous amount of work has been put in place to ensure Year 9 students receive face-to-face contact across English, Maths, Science, Gateway A & B subjects and personal development. This will be supplemented by online learning that student can undertake at home. Staff will be able to guide them through what these home activities will look like when students are in face-to-face lessons.

The team of staff at school and external contractors have moved mountains to ensure that school will open to students again next week. I could not be prouder of the work they have undertaken. However, I must stress that the school will look a very different place for students when they return. Many routines they are used to will be changed and my team will need some time working with Year 9 students on Thursday to ensure that we keep them in parts of the building that DFE and surveyors have deemed still accessible. This includes things such as student movement around the site, rooms students will access for lessons and dining facilities. Please be assured the safety of staff and students continues to be of primary importance as we manage this situation. We have undertaken a full risk assessment with North Yorkshire County Council and are confident that the school is safe to function with students on site. At no point will students be allowed near any areas affected by RACC.

### **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September**

In order for us to control the return of students to site over the next week. Our team will need to do this in a staggered manner. This will be to allow us to implement new processes and systems with students. Year 9 students will be expected to return to the school site from Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 12:00.

In a typical school week year 9 students will then be welcomed onto the school site at the following times:

- Tuesday 12:00 – 14:30 – Students will be expected to arrive on site for 11:50. There will be no facility for them to have lunch on site so should have lunch before they arrive.
- Thursday 12:00 – 14:30 - Students will be expected to arrive on site for 11:50. There will be no facility for them to have lunch on site so should have lunch before they arrive.
- Friday 08:20 – 11:30 Students will be expected to leave site at 11:30 following lessons. There will be no facility for students to have lunch on site.

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### **Lunchtimes**

Currently we do not have the facility to keep the full year group on site for lunch.

### **AM Sessions**

Year 9 students attending morning sessions will need to make arrangements for lunch once they have left the school site at 11:30. Those students that receive free school meals will be able to stay on site to eat their lunch but will be expected to make their way home by 12:00.

### **PM Sessions**

Year 9 students attending afternoon sessions will need to make arrangements for lunch before they arrive on site. Those students that receive free school meals will be able to arrive at 11:30 where they will be able to get lunch from the new dining facility.

### **Buses**

Buses will run as normal in the morning and afternoon. Students attending AM lessons will be able to stay on site in a computer room in order to undertake remote learning activities on site. They will then be able to get transport home at 14:30.

Students attending PM lessons will be able to arrive in the morning and access a computer room in order to undertake remote learning activities on site.

### **Remote Learning**

As year 9 students will not be able to access the school until Thursday 14th September, there will be an online offer in place for students on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday next week. Students will be able to access a range of online learning activities via the school website. There will be a clear link to these resources on the homepage <https://www.scalby.coastandvale.academy/> from Monday morning. Next week we will spend time ensuring students have passwords and the knowledge to access Microsoft Teams and Google Classrooms. This will allow them to access remote learning moving forward.

### **Thursday Afternoon**

On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September I will welcome Year 9 students back to site in the school sports hall. I will talk to them about the year ahead and some of the new routines they are going to experience. A lot of time over the next few weeks will be spent reassuring students and yourselves that my team will do everything we can to ensure they will leave Scalby with the educational experience and qualifications they deserve.

Students will be based in a specific section of the school unaffected by concrete issues. They will move between classrooms in this area, but staff members will come to the classroom similar to during the pandemic. Those students who need to stay on site to have lunch will be able to access our new dining facilities in our school gym and an adjoining marquee that we have had erected this week. I appreciate there will be a lot of uncertainty around these proposals, but I hope you understand the complexities of the issues we are facing and the speed with which we are trying to react to get our students back into education. I am confident this will be the first part in a process of



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*being the best we can be*

getting an educational offer back for students that they deserve. Thanks in advance for your continued understanding.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Chris Robertson

Headteacher