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Dear Parent/Carer

Academy re-opening year 10 and 12 students

In line with government guidance the academy will be reopening on Monday 15th June. The expectation is that Yr10 and Yr12 students will attend from this date, although not all of these students will be in the academy at the same time. We will be inviting 25% of Yr10 students in between Monday and Thursday and year 12 students to attend on a Friday.

You will be notified of the day that your child is expected to attend in due course. The plan is for a shortened school day where students are split into small groups with each group working in one set area. Each area we have identified will hold 12 students and comply with the 2m safe distancing guidance we have been asked to adhere to. As I have said on many occasions, we will at all times ensure the well-being and welfare of staff and students is prioritised. All of the plans we have devised meet the government guidance and reduce risk as much as we can on the academy site.

To enable us to ensure we have the appropriate number of teachers and support staff on site can I please ask you contact the academy as to whether you will be sending your child in from the 15th June email or telephone as soon as possible but by Tuesday 9th June at the latest. The guidance we have received has asked us to discourage the use of public transport wherever possible, but if your child is going to return please can you also indicate when you contact the academy whether or not they will be using public transport?

I fully appreciate these are worrying and challenging times for us all, the need to balance your child's education and their welfare has been carefully thought through. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the academy either by phone 0121 329 4600 or email gas-mail@graceacademy.org.uk

Yours sincerely

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For and on behalf of Tove Learning Trust