



Tring School

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Dear Parent/Carer

As you will be aware, the whole country has been placed into another lockdown and schools have been closed to all students apart from key workers and vulnerable students. However, there is the small matter of the planned BTEC exams over the next 7 days. It has been left to the individual centres to decide if these exams will go ahead. At Tring School, we have decided that we will facilitate the exams as planned.

This is a decision that we have not taken lightly and we feel that we have the students' best interests at the heart of this decision. I want to assure you that we have been working very hard behind the scenes to ensure the safety of our students and staff, so that we can facilitate these exams in a safe manner. We have moved the exam to a much larger venue, the LRC, - based over two floors; reducing the number of people in one space, the venue will be cleaned/sanitised before and after each exam, the space is well ventilated, students and staff will be required to wear face coverings at all times, students will need to use the hand sanitiser provided on entering the exam and social distancing will be observed at all times.

I need to clarify that we will not be testing the students using the Lateral Flow Tests provided by the Government before the exam. Obviously, if your child is showing any symptoms at all, please do not send them into school. If this is the case, Pearson has shared the following information; "Learners unable to take their assessment this January may be able to take their assessment at a later date. If that is not possible, we will put in place arrangements to ensure no learner is disadvantaged."

We look forward to welcoming our students into school over the coming days and wish them every success with their exams.

Yours faithfully

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