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Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: Children of Key Workers

As you know the government has revised the staggered start for secondary students in response to increasing COVID-19 infection rates in many parts of the country, and to provide schools the time to introduce testing. Face to face teaching will be available for all children of Key Workers from tomorrow until the planned return for all students on Monday 18th January. **If your child is in Year 11 or 13 they will be expected to return to normal lessons next week.**

In light of the higher transmissibility of the new variant of COVID-19, I'm aware that some parents may choose to keep their children at home up until the 11th or 18th of January as they have the option of joining live lessons. If parents are confident that their child is able to access learning safely at home, then the school will support this decision at this time. All teaching of live lessons will match the teaching in school. Your child's engagement with remote learning will be closely monitored and we will inform you of any concerns. Those of you who have requested to loan an electronic device will be receiving it in the next day or two.

Guidance on how to access live lessons and timings will be uploaded on ClassCharts and will be available on the school website. Please also be mindful that the information shared today is based on the most recent DfE guidance which is subject to change. We will continue to keep you informed of any changes and developments in the coming days.

It is important that students attending school are fully compliant with all safety measures and they do not attend if they have been contact traced or are showing symptoms of COVID-19. All students in school are required to be in full uniform. Entry into the school building in the morning is via the same door as last term.

Finally, if you need to make further contact with the school please do so using the email address above or the relevant year group email address e.g. Y7@meadowhead.sheffield.sch.uk

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs K Grewal-Joy Headteacher

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