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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Update about plans for September

I am aware the announcement from the Department of Education (DfE) today, as well as the frequent media speculation about back to school plans for September may be understandably generating some anxiety amongst parents and students. I want to assure you now the official guidance has been finally released, that I and the Senior Leadership team will take our time to process the documentation very carefully in order to put together a plan that is suitable and workable for St Michael's.

My aim is to share a broad plan and provisional arrangements for the start of term with parents before the end of the summer term. However, as I am sure you can appreciate it will not be possible to have final plans in place until we have the DfE confirmation about the guidance which is unlikely to be until mid-August. Even then, plans may be subject to change depending on local virus rates.

I know this level of uncertainty is unsettling, but I can assure you my decision making will be based on what is best for the College, students and staff as a whole and I will continue to take a measured approach. I would therefore ask parents to be patient and supportive of myself and the Senior Leadership team whilst we navigate our way through the challenge of planning for September and to bear in mind that in deciding what is best for the College as a whole means we may not always be able to satisfy every individual requirement.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Yours Faithfully

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