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Re: Y8 Pathways Process

Dear Parent/Carer,

At St Joseph's we want the best possible educational experience for our young people where our students follow a curriculum that is characterised by academic excellence and designed to allow all students to achieve their full potential.

However, we recognise that during these challenging times your child's education at St Joseph's has been quite a different educational experience. Due to the impact of this turbulence in your child's journey through St Joseph's, the decision has been taken to postpone the beginning of the Y8 Pathways Process. This would be where your child begins to consider the subjects in which they would like to specialise for further study.

This decision has been taken to ensure that your child has a firm foundation in the full range of curriculum subjects before progressing into specialised study. It will also ensure that your child will be provided with a full range of opportunities to acquire the knowledge, concepts, skills and attitudes necessary for their own development, and for playing a full part in society.

We are currently exploring the best way to redesign this element of your child's curriculum to compensate for how it has to be adjusted for school closure. Once this is finalised, we will be in a better situation to explain how the model will work and give parents and students the opportunity to ask questions and receive advice and guidance. We will continue to keep you informed of the plans for the Y8 Pathways process as they are developed so that we can continue to work together for the best possible education for our young people.

Yours sincerely,

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