

Monday 8th June 2020

Dear Year 10 parents/carers

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## Planned re-opening on Monday 15th June

I write to inform you that late on Friday afternoon I received an email/letter from the Director of Public Health in Tameside to advise that all Tameside schools should delay their planned wider opening until 22 June at the 'earliest'. This letter is on the school web site for your perusal.

After reading the letter, I regret to inform you that, despite extensive planning by the Senior Leadership Team and with approval from the governors, St Damian's will **not** be re-opening for Year 10 pupils on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June as planned.

As I have repeatedly said in previous correspondence, the staff at St Damian's are very keen and ready to reopen and, although we will follow the guidance in the letter, it is none the less very frustrating, but the safety of our school community is my number one priority.

St Damian's is now preparing tentative plans to re-open on the Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June, at the earliest. The comprehensive plans will be reviewed in the light of any new guidance if, and when necessary. However, I hope that you appreciate that although is our intention to re-open on the 22<sup>nd</sup>, this date may not be achievable if any new guidance is published.

At this time, I thank you for your patience and I will be in touch in the near future.

Take care and God bless.

Mr Logue Headteacher

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