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Dear Parent/Carer,

In light of the new health advice from the UK government, and information received late this afternoon, we have now identified a significant number of our staff who are at increased risk from Coronavirus (COVID-19) or who are now having to self-isolate with family members for 14 days. It is clear that our ability to provide adequate levels of supervision and education will be gravely compromised with such reduced levels of staffing, and this has put the school in a position where we do not have sufficient teaching staff to provide a full curriculum to all years.

At this stage of the year, our priority has to be students in years 10, 11, 12 and 13 who have their external examinations in the near future. I have therefore taken the difficult decision to operate a partial closure of the school. The school will ONLY be open to years 10, 11, 12 and 13 from 18th March until further notice.

Pupils in years 7 to 9 have access to online learning platforms such as Google Classroom and MathsWatch and work will become available through those channels, with further detail to follow shortly. In the meantime some general work can be found on the following:-

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

<https://www.activityvillage.co.uk/>

<https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb>

As you can imagine these matters are changing on a daily basis and we will continue to keep you updated via email, our website and social media feeds.

Thank you for your patience and understanding at this time.

Paula Williams