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Dear Parent/Carer

### COVID-19 – Most Recent Government Announcement

As announced yesterday by the Government, as from the end of day on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March, all schools in the UK will close to some students. A letter confirming the arrangements for this will be sent home in the near future.

Explicitly, the Government has instructed schools to close to most students, but to still allow access to those children regarded as most vulnerable and also the children of key workers. The Government listed key workers as the NHS, the Police and such workers as delivery drivers. Most vulnerable children were listed by the Government as those with an Educational Health Care Plan and those who currently have a social worker. I can assure you as Headteacher I am trying to develop a safe method of allowing this to happen with the current staffing concerns.

To allow us to co-ordinate this, can we please ask any parents who are classified as key workers to contact the office by 9am on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March.

The Government also announced today that public examinations will not take place in May or June of this year but we have no further details on this yet.

We will, of course, immediately advise parents/carers and students as soon as more information is received and offer intensive pastoral support where appropriate.

Once again, we thank you for your understanding whilst we apply the guidance given by the Government and are grateful for your patience whilst we work out the finer details to support our students and their families.

Yours faithfully

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