

17 March 2020

Re: CV19 Partial School Closure for Years 8 and 9

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for your continued support in these extra-ordinary times. Following the Government's announcement yesterday, the School is now in the position to need to put in to place partial closures until the end of this week.

Unless you hear otherwise from us or, a national decision is taken, please assume that we are open as usual from Monday.

The School will be closed to pupils in Year 8 and 9 on Wednesday, 18th March, Thursday 19th March and Friday 20th March.

Some families are in receipt of Free School Meals: if you are affected by the closure we will be making food available for your child to be collected from school.

All teachers have put **links on Moodle for pupils to continue their learning at home**. Pupils can access this by logging in to Moodle with their normal school details and browsing through subjects. As a parent you can also see the work using your parent access. If you do not have a parent Moodle account please request one via the school website. Please don't contact teachers directly about this as they may not be able to respond given the variations in arrangements that we are needing to make.

All trips for the remainder of this half term are now cancelled. We will liaise with you later this term with regards refunds. We are not currently in a position to deal with requests for refunds on an individual basis.

All sporting fixtures are also cancelled until further notice.

If your child attends a **club that is provided by an external agency**, please do liaise directly with them regarding their plans.

Finally, according to the national guidance, if your child is unwell with the symptoms published, please *do not* send them in to school. We have cases today of children who went home unwell yesterday and have returned to school today. This is not in line with the national guidance and is putting undue pressure on our provision.

Parents and carers will appreciate that this situation is changing on a daily basis therefore, we will be limiting all school communications to only those relating to our contingency planning henceforth. Regrettably and in these extraordinary times, we will have to suspend some of our normal activities:



Thank you very much for your continued support.

With best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. Wilden". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial 'T' and 'W'.

Ms T Wilden
Head of School