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Dear parents and carers

I suspect most of you have already seen the latest government announcement, which says that schools will close to all students at the end of Friday. Please be assured that we will be in touch by Monday with details of work and other support available for students.

You will also have noticed that schools are going to be expected to stay open for certain groups of children, including those whose parents are classed as 'key workers' (for example, those working in the NHS or police). At this stage, there are still lots of questions about what exactly this will entail and, aside from saying that we will of course do everything we possibly can to accommodate this, we are not in a position to say any more. We will, of course, communicate more as soon as possible – and certainly before the end of the week.

Similarly, I realise that the announcement about exams not going ahead as planned will be causing a lot of worry. Again, we know no more than you at this point and will pass on any information as soon as we receive it.

In the meantime, I would appreciate it if people could resist the temptation to contact school with non-urgent questions; our admin staff are already at the limit of capacity in dealing with calls and emails and are unlikely to be able to provide answers in most cases anyway. Similarly, if your child has already been at home self-isolating this week, you do not need to contact school again; we shall assume they will not be in on Thursday or Friday.

As I say, we will be in touch as soon as we know more.

Kind regards



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