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12th March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Coronavirus and contingency plans

I am writing to update you on the situation regarding the Coronavirus that in the future may lead to schools across the country closing temporarily. It is prudent as a community to prepare for such an event hence this letter.

It is important that while we have the students in school that we continue to prepare for exams and other assessments as normal in a calm environment.

In preparation of any closure, our dedicated staff are collaborating to provide work packs for all students to take home, and online work for some classes will be provided using resources such as Seneca which can be found at <https://www.senecalearning.com/>. It is important that during any closure that our students continue to work hard using the resources supplied and also engage in their accelerated reading with our 16x16 books. Regarding any Year 11 examination groups please contact Jude Durrant and Nicky Elvidge, and for Year 13 please contact Chris Clark.

We will use our Homework Portal to indicate the work that students need to complete so please support your children with this work. All students will receive a work pack on Friday 13th March 2020. This does **not** mean that we are closed on Monday 16th March 2020.

We will keep you informed about any developments and ensure you we are keeping the academy clean to prevent the spread of any virus. The latest guidance from Public Health England can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-list-of-guidance>

If a decision is taken to close the academy, this could happen at short notice. We will inform you via text, as well as sharing information on our school website, Facebook and Twitter accounts. Please ensure that contact details we hold for you on the school system are up-to-date.

Thank you for your continued support,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'D. Mackey'.

Mr D Mackey
Principal