

18<sup>th</sup> March 2020

## **Update from The Headmaster**

Dear Barney Parents and Guardians,

As you will have heard this evening, the advice from the Government is that schools are to close at the end of Friday for all with the exception of children of key workers and those who are deemed vulnerable. We will continue to provide a safe location for children who fit into these categories, as well as those boarders who are unable to return home. We will look after them for as long as necessary. As we have done since the start of this situation, we will continue to follow Government guidance and await publication of this.

I will be sending a more detailed email tomorrow regarding our Remote Learning Programme for which we have spent a great deal of time over the past three weeks preparing. External exams that were due to take place in May and June are postponed until further notice. Dr Truss has already been in touch with our Year 11 and Year 13 students to reassure them (please see email below). We will be meeting them tomorrow and we will email those who are not at school.

However, for now, the purpose of this email is to find out how many children we have who fit into the category and who need to be supervised at school next week. As a school we are not in a position to identify who is and who is not a key worker. We totally trust your judgement and if you require support next week, we would be very happy to offer and provide it.

**If you are a key worker and you require school based provision for your child/children w/c 23rd March 2020, please click below:**

[Children of Key Worker Survey](#)

We have set up a page on the front page of the website which details all our communication on the COVID-19 situation thus far. Please find the link at the top of the School website homepage.

Thank you for your ongoing support and understanding and we will be in touch again tomorrow.

Best wishes,

Tony