

19 March 2020

Dear Parents/Carer of NAME,

Unfortunately, due to staffing numbers, the school will be closed to Year 11 students as of Thursday 19 March. The school will remain open for students in Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 (this is subject to change dependent upon staffing numbers. We will continue to update you via text messages and the school website). There is a small minority of Year 11 students that are expected to come into school on Friday 20 March to complete iMedia controlled assessments.

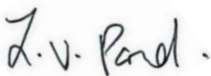
Today, during one of the assemblies, I have praised Year 11 students for the maturity that they have shown at this time. Staff and I have tried to alleviate some of their worries that they may have regarding the upcoming weeks and the awarding of GCSE grades.

Today, the students have had opportunities to celebrate their time at Hungerhill. This has included assemblies, book signing and photo opportunities. For reasons relating to the Coronavirus, we have not allowed students to sign one another's shirts/ties. We are hopeful that they will have opportunities to do this at a later date. As a school, we will be looking to arrange a special event in the future where we can celebrate our Year 11 students' time at Hungerhill and allow them the chance to say goodbye to their peers and staff. Further information will follow when we are in a position to do so.

It may be, that as part of the arrangements that the government uses in awarding GCSE grades, we are asked as a school to provide a letter of recommendation for students requiring us to comment on student conduct. We appreciate that this is a difficult time for our Year 11 students but would ask you for your support with our decision and advise NAME not to come onto school premises tomorrow and the foreseeable future, please follow the guidance from the government regarding social distancing and self-isolation where appropriate. If you or your child would like to contact teaching staff, please do so using their school email address.

We will, as a school, continue to communicate with you, as parents, with any updates with regards to GCSE grades, as and when they are made. Rest assured, we have tried to assuage any concerns that our students may have at this unprecedented time.

Yours sincerely



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