

20 March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Coronavirus Update – School Closure from Friday 20 March

In light of government announcements on Wednesday 18 March, we are currently working to look at how we can implement the partial closure. A definitive list of who is considered to be a key worker has been released and communicated to you today. Those of you that returned responses will be contacted by 6:00pm today with further information of how the school will be operating if the school has the capacity to allocate your child a place.

Children of non-key workers who must stay at home from Monday 23 March 2020 for an indefinite period will be provided with work to complete using Frog Learn, as per my earlier communications via text message and the website yesterday. Students have been informed as to what will be expected of them whilst the school is closed in terms of work. You can access the same advice using the following link <https://www.hungerhillschool.com/page/?title=Remote+Learning&pid=215>

In the event of any technical errors and your child is unable to access Frog Learn, please email icttech@hungerhillschool.com or admin@hungerhillschool.com as soon as possible so that we can contact our external providers to rectify the problem.

We had anticipated and planned for a short-term closure, but recent government announcements have indicated that this could extend after the Easter holidays. In light of this, we are currently planning to provide a more bespoke learning experience for students with a particular focus for Year 9 and 10.

Children of key workers will be able to come into school as required by government and will complete the same work as those staying at home but under the supervision of staff. We are liaising with bus companies and caterers to understand what they will or will not be able to provide and how students who are in receipt of free school meals will be managed.

At this time government have not shared plans regarding how students in Year 11 will be awarded their qualifications. As we understand it, this information will not be available until later today. We will keep you updated with details as and when they are confirmed.

Please bear with us, rest assured that we will update you as soon as we are able with full details of our plans to support all parents and carers at this extremely challenging and stressful time.



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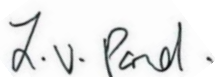
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Year 10 Mock Exams

In the event of a partial closure extending into the Year 10 mock exam period, we have provided students with examination papers today for Science and maths. Additional papers will be sent home next week for maths, English and humanities via post. Please can we ask for your support by collecting these from your child and putting them in a secure place. Please do not allow students to open the envelope as it may not be necessary to use these papers, dependent upon the length of the closure and mock examinations may take place as normal within school – we are unsure about this at this moment in time. Further information as to how to use these exam papers will be communicated to Year 10 parents at a later date. We appreciate that this is far from ideal, but we are trying to ensure that our students are not at a disadvantage to other students in the country upon their return to school.

Thank you for your ongoing support and understanding at this unprecedented time.

Yours sincerely



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