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Dear Parents and Carers

As you will be aware, tonight the government has issued new instructions for schools about the coronavirus.

From the end of school on Friday this week all schools in England will be closed until further notice. Schools will continue to make provision for the following students:

1. The children of key workers who have been defined tonight in the Prime Minister's statement as:

NHS staff
Police
Delivery drivers

2. Vulnerable children (this is defined as those with a social worker and those with an EHCP).

We will therefore be finalising the arrangements for our provision for students in these groups over the next two days. We will write to you again tomorrow with details of how you can inform us if you are a key worker. We will also be in contact with the families of children who have a social worker or have an EHCP.

We continue to be open tomorrow for Year 11, 12 and 13 students as we have been today.

The government has announced that support will be provided for students who are eligible for free school meals. Once we have more details of this we will be back in contact. In the meantime, this Thursday and Friday our school remains open for students who are eligible for free school meals at the following times:

Years 7-8: 1.40pm-2.30pm
Years 9-10: 12.50pm-1.40pm

Finally, I want to reassure you that we will endeavour to do everything that we can to support our community during this very difficult time. Please do be in contact with us if you require any clarification or have any suggestions for us as a school.

Yours faithfully

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