

Principal: Lesley Welsh



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Dear Parent/Carer

### Coronavirus Update

Further to my previous letter and following tonight's Government briefing, I would like to update you regarding the Coronavirus outbreak and its impact on your child.

As you will be aware from the announcement this evening, the guidance issued by the Department for Education has tonight changed and George Pindar School will be closed to the vast majority of students with effect from Monday 23 March until further notice.

The exception to this will be children whose parents are 'key workers' and those children who have a social worker or have an Education Health and Care Plan. If your child is in one of those categories, school will be open to them and they will be able to attend school as normal. We will offer access to a range of learning packages and activities with support from teachers and teaching assistants. Food will be available as usual. More details will be provided regarding our offer over the next day and you are asked to follow our school on social media channels and the school website.

**School remains open as usual for all students on Thursday 19 and Friday 20 March.** We have prepared a range of online learning activities for all students in all year groups and during a series of special assemblies tomorrow we will introduce these activities to students. For those students who are currently self-isolating, or where the household is self-isolating, guidance will be placed on our school website.

The challenges we are currently facing are unprecedented and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support. The health, wellbeing and education of our school community remain our priority and we will continue to update you as we find a way forward following all official guidance.

Yours sincerely

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