

Dear Parents/Carers

19th March 2020

Re: Coronavirus update – school closure to most pupils

Following on from our last update, we are now writing to let you know that **we have now been instructed to close the school to almost all children after this Friday (20th March 2020) until further notice.**

As advised by the government, we will do all we can to stay open for the children of key workers, as listed below:

NHS medical professionals and support staff, other health workers (inc. those working in care homes, social workers), community safety staff (police, fire brigade, highway agency traffic officers, prison and probation staff), education, supermarket workers, delivery drivers for major supermarkets and healthcare provisions (this does NOT include UberEats, Deliveroo and similar organisations), environmental health officers, local authority planners.

We are waiting for the government to publish more information on what this means, but it would help us in the meantime if you could let us know if you think your child may fall into one of these categories by emailing us at admin@mayfieldschool.net / completing the survey at the attached link. <https://forms.gle/2qseTDJ67YsgLwHz8>. We'll be in touch again as soon as we are sure who this does apply to.

All other children will need to stay at home, so we ask that you do not send your child into school from Monday onwards.

Please note that this is a national closure – as you may have heard in the news – so while it is a challenging situation, we are not alone. We'll re-open fully as soon as we can and will let you know when this is as soon as we are able.

What we'll continue doing while your child is at home

Your child's learning is of course important to us, so we'll continue to help your child to learn. Work has been set for students on Show My Homework and we expect expect that all students are completing work daily. This will be monitored by their class teachers who are contactable via their school email address. If your child cannot access their Show My Homework account, please contact us on admin@mayfieldschool.net.

Examinations

Public examinations for this academic year have been cancelled. When we have further information about how grades will be awarded and how UCAS will allocate University places, we will be in contact. Until such a time we strongly encourage Yr11, 12 and 13 students to continue completing the work set by their teachers as this may become a very important part of this process.

Free School Meals

If your child usually receives free school meals we will also be in touch with more information about how we will continue to provide this, with support from a scheme that the government has just announced.

This is as much as we know right now and we appreciate your continued patience with us as we deal with this ever-changing situation. We understand that this latest news will have an impact on you and your family and it's far from ideal, but we'll continue to keep in touch with any updates as the situation develops.

If you want to get in touch to share any concerns, please don't hesitate to do so via admin@mayfieldschool.net, please do not come in to school.

And remember: if you or your child feels ill and you want to know what to do next, please use [NHS 111 online](#).

Thank you again for your continued support, and we will be in touch with more information when we can.

Yours faithfully

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