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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Students to complete remote learning from home

Yet again I write to you all with a sense of frustration. Our case numbers amongst staff continue to grow with no clear routes of transmission. It has also become clear that staff are indeed symptomatic and quite poorly at times. We have taken extra precautions in school to avoid staff mixing where possible.

I had felt confident that on Thursday and Friday we would be able to have all students in school, however we are now in a situation where that will not be possible. We have now surpassed a threshold of staff absence that means we cannot function fully on these two days.

We will therefore ask:

- **Year 8 to work from home on Thursday 31 March**
- **Year 9 to work from home on Friday 1 April**

As I have explained previously, we have tried hard to ensure that we spread the burden of these partial closures, whilst avoiding Year 11 and 13 who have mere weeks remaining at school. It is sadly the case that we have asked Years 8 and 9 to work remotely for a second time. Our COVID cases amongst the student population continue to remain low, however at the moment it appears to be the staff who continue to contract the virus.

Unfortunately, due to high levels of staff absence we will not be able to provide live lessons for Year 8 or Year 9, but as previously we will be providing high quality work for them to complete from home. This work will be accessible via ClassCharts/Teams.

Please note, all other year groups should continue to come to school, we will be re-deploying teachers to cover other lessons.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher



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