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## HOME ONLINE LEARNING FOR YEAR 8

## FROM MONDAY 12 JULY TO FRIDAY 16 JULY 2021

**Dear Year 8 Families** 

I have written to you again today as we have had a further confirmed positive case in Year 8. Unfortunately contact tracing has identified several members of staff along with students who will now have to self-isolate for 10 days.

There are already staff members who were identified as contacts in the previous cases and this has exacerbated the situation. It is with regret that I am now left with no alternative but to close on site learning for Year 8.

Our business continuity for the education of our students will continue and this will revert to online learning.

Online learning will take place and your daughter should log into her normal lessons. This will be for the entire week from Monday 12 July until Friday 16 July 2021. Students will return on Monday 19 July 2021. The end of term for students is on Wednesday 21 July and for staff it is Thursday 22 July 2021.

Please contact the school if you have any concerns. If your daughter is eligible for free school meals, you will be sent an e-voucher.

Your daughter does not have to self isolate unless we have been in touch with you separately to inform you that your daughter has been identified as a contact. She will be learning virtually due to substantial staff shortage. However, should she develop symptoms you should follow the guidance. It is important that your daughter continues with the twice weekly testing. Please read the Inform and Advise letters as they set out the procedures to follow.

On behalf of the school, I apologise for this disruption to your daughter's learning so close to the end of the academic year but it is really unavoidable.

## How to stop COVID-19 spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19:

- wash your hands with soap and water often; do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards
- keep your distance and wear a face covering in confined spaces and public places

We know that this is a difficult time for families and thank you for your support as we continue to work to keep our school and wider community safe. For more information visit the government website <u>What</u> parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges during COVID-19

Yours sincerely

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