



17 March 2020

COVID-19 (coronavirus) update

Dear Parents and Carers,

As expected the situation is changing very fast. We had over 300 students and 20 staff absent today and we are expecting the situation to worsen over the next few days. Because of this we have had to make some decisions regarding KLB for the next few days:

**Wednesday 18 March**

- School is open as usual for students in Years 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 & 13.
- We are, however, suspending Year 12 lessons starting from tomorrow for the rest of the week (see below for detail).

**Thursday 19 March**

- The school will be closed for Year 9 students (see below for detail).
- At this stage, we intend to remain open for students in Year 7, 8, 10, 11 & 13. This is, however, subject to change.

Further detail

**Year 12 students** are more than welcome to attend school to work independently. We have decided to postpone the Year 12 assessment week in May and are currently planning to hold them later in the summer term. These are internal assessments which can be adapted to measure progress at this later date and still provide useful feedback for A level course selection and projected grades. We appreciate that this may be frustrating for the many students who have been working hard in preparation. At this stage we recommend that students continue to work through the revision plans issued by subjects.

We will be issuing advice to **Year 9 students** at tutor time tomorrow on how best to study at home. As a matter of real urgency, please could you ensure options forms are returned in person tomorrow if not done so already. Alternatively, please email using [info@klbschool.org.uk](mailto:info@klbschool.org.uk).

For both Year 12 and Year 9 students we will review the situation on Friday and issue further guidance. We have not made these decisions lightly but given current and expected staff absence, we just cannot continue to deliver a full curriculum. On a positive note, the vast majority of students in school this week have conducted themselves impeccably despite the obvious concerns and questions the situation poses.

Thank you again for your continued support and communication. Please continue to advise us of absence using [attendance@klbschool.org.uk](mailto:attendance@klbschool.org.uk) and if you have any questions don't hesitate to use [info@klbschool.org.uk](mailto:info@klbschool.org.uk).

Yours faithfully,

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