

18 March 2020

COVID-19 (coronavirus) update

Dear Parents and Carers,

We continue to respond to the situation the very best we can. I would like to highlight that KLB School remains a safe and caring environment where we are doing everything possible to maintain positivity and well-being. The staff have responded brilliantly to the challenge and are delivering the highest quality learning given the circumstances. Your children have shown great maturity and understanding over the last few days; they remain a real privilege to work with.

We are still processing the announcements today from the government and we have written separately to the parents and students in Years 11 and 13. Please find below a summary of arrangements for the next two days.

Thursday 19 & Friday 20 March

- The school will be open for students in Years 7, 8 & 10.
- The school is closed for Year 9 students.
- Lessons are suspended for Year 12 students.
- The school is open for those students in Years 11 and 13 who wish to come and talk to us about their concerns. There will be staff on hand to deal with these enquiries.

Other information

Today we gave advice to all students about how to continue their learning and maintain their well-being in the event of school closure. They were all given a card with contact details if they require support (see attachment for the advice given). We will begin our comprehensive home-learning programme on Monday 23 March and will issue parents with guidance regarding this on Friday. We carried out an audit in school today of those students who will struggle to access on-line learning when the school closes and we are preparing packs of work that we can distribute as soon as we possibly can.

For Year 9 we will be setting work through SMHW from tomorrow morning so they can have a productive couple of days. For the rest of the week we cannot provide work for those without internet access, but they can go back over prior learning in their exercise books to reinforce knowledge and understanding.

For those who are self-isolating in other year groups, we will not be setting specific work for this week but there will be a range of activities that students could be getting on with:

- To use on-line learning platforms to review, consolidate and enrich learning;
- Review work in exercise books;
- Check Show My Homework for homework set.

With regards students who receive **Free School Meals**, we are determined to support with meals and so are currently looking at ways of achieving this during the period of school closure.

Please continue to **inform us of absence** by either phone or attendance@klbschool.org.uk.

Thank you again for your continued support and communication. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to use info@klbschool.org.uk.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'T.Rand', is positioned above the printed name and title.

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