Dear Parents/Carers

CORONA VIRUS Updates are as follows March 17th 2020:

Social Distancing

We have decided to cancel all of the larger gatherings that have been planned for the rest of this term. This includes our assemblies, Year 8 Parents' Evening etc.

Self Isolation

The latest advice from NHS 111 is that if students have a family member who is self isolating or have been in contact with someone who is self-isolating, the student should stay at home and self-isolate <u>regardless of whether they have any symptoms.</u>

If your child is in this situation, please call the attendance line as usual and let us know that your child is self-isolating.

Vulnerable pupils

Some parents have let us know that they are particularly concerned for their child, despite their having no symptoms, on account of their medical condition. A number have already chosen to self-isolate and it is absolutely right for parents to take these decisions for themselves. Please just let us know in the usual way (attendance line) if you decide to keep your child at home.

School cleanliness

We have additional cleaners in and are attempting to make sure, where possible, doors are kept open to avoid unnecessary handling of the door handles etc.

Planning the next steps

We will be talking to all students in tutor time this week about how will be approaching any potential school closure, how we will provide them with work and what we expect of them if that happens. Staff are planning and preparing work that will be shared via Show my Homework and Google classroom. Details will follow later this week as appropriate. We have been making sure that students know how to access online resources and materials.

Thank you all for your continuing support and cooperation,

Kind regards

Ms Nicholas Senior Deputy Headteacher