



BORDEN GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Borden Grammar School
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Sittingbourne
ME10 4DB

20 March 2020

Dear Parents/ Carers,

As you will be aware from my letter yesterday the school will be closed as of Monday 23 March for most pupils until further notice, with the exception of children of Key Workers and those classed as Vulnerable.

Work

Work for all year groups will be provided via Show My Homework, Moodle, GCSEPod, My Maths etc. Staff are continually updating this information in order to provide all students with a variety of work. We are aware that many households may be limited in their computer access due to parents working from home, we will be mindful to ensure some resources and activities can be accessed by students' mobile phones.

These tasks are designed to develop independent learning skills, if your son gets stuck please do not worry, encourage them to go onto the next task. We are mindful that this is a stressful time for both parents and students, and that children will need to be flexible and have a varied diet of activities to ensure their well-being including physical activity.

The Department of Education has advised that *'the fewer children making the journey to school, and the fewer children in educational settings, the lower the risk that the virus can spread and infect vulnerable individuals in wider society'*.

Examinations

When we receive an official update from the DfE we will update you accordingly.

Free School Meals

The school will contact eligible parents on Monday with details concerning free school meals.

Safeguarding and other urgent concerns

There may be a need for parents/carers, pupils or staff members to urgently contact senior staff about safeguarding issues or other pressing matters during the period of closure. If this does occur, you should contact confidential@bordengrammar.kent.sch.uk or any of these numbers 07773 597278, 07976 539109 or 07773 594055 during school hours. Out of hours either call the Police or the Education Safeguarding Service emergency number: 03000 419 191.

Thank you for your continued support, we will continue to keep you updated during this difficult and challenging period.

Yours faithfully,

Mr G Mulligan
Headteacher



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