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19<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

### School Closure Update

I would like to congratulate all students that came into school today for their calm and positive approach. The y11 and y13 students showed incredible maturity following yesterday's announcement regarding exams. They were a real credit to you and your families.

It was also good to see the y7 and y8 students getting on with work set online, it is important they keep a routine and structure to their day.

Yesterday, I highlighted the themes announced by the government. I have outlined a summary of our responses and plans below.

| Theme   | Response/Action/ Planning   |
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| Children of Key Workers will be able to come to school as usual. The definition of a Key Worker is yet to be defined.               | The LA provided a working list of roles / jobs that were likely to be included (to be confirmed by the government). This has been sent to parents / carers in the form of a survey. Responses need to be returned by <b>11am on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020</b> . |
| Children with EHCPs will be able to attend school as usual.   | We have been in contact with parents / carers to confirm whether they would like to access provision next week.   |
| Meals or vouchers for those eligible for Free School Meals will be provided.  | Students that are eligible to access a Free School Meal will be able to collect a meal between 11am and 12 each day (from next week). We are still waiting on further details regarding e-vouchers.   |
| Children with other vulnerabilities will also be able to attend school as usual. The definition of this group is yet to be defined. | We are continuing to make contact with social care / parents / carers to discuss provision for next week.   |

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| For the groups noted above, schools may well be open over the Easter period. Further details to be given in due course.                           | We continue to plan, but have not made any firm decisions about how this might look.   |
| Examinations for GCSEs and BTECs / A levels will not take place in the summer. The government will provide details of how grades will be awarded. | A letter was sent home to parents and carers. An additional letter was sent to students, acknowledging the concerns and anxieties that I am sure they are all feeling. We are told further information will be provided on Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2020. |

It is important for me to reinforce that parent / carers survey returns, regarding access to school provision next week for key workers and defined student groups, need to be returned tomorrow by 11am, so we can plan effectively. Students that are not on the confirmed list will be unable to attend. The structure for tomorrow (Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020) that was sent out on Wednesday, can be found on our website, using the following link <http://www.hovepark.brighton-hove.sch.uk/covid-19> and are essentially the same as today.

I want to reiterate the message I sent this morning, that during this time of significant turbulence and uncertainty, we will be doing all that we can to continue to support not only the academic progress of students, but also their health and wellbeing. We may be shut for the majority of students, but we are not closed in terms of contact, communication and care.

I hope that you and your family stay safe and well.

Best wishes,

Jim Roberts, Head Teacher

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