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Mr Jim Roberts- Headteacher

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Dear Parents and Carers,

School Closure Announcement

The government announced yesterday that all schools in England will be closed from Friday 20th March 2020, at the end of the day for the majority of students, until further notice. I know for many of you, and particularly our year 11 and year 13 students, this will cause significant worry and concern.

I have summarised some of the other key themes below;

- Children of Key Workers will be able to come to school as usual. The definition of a Key Worker is yet to be defined.
- Children with EHCPs will be able to attend school as usual.
- Meals or vouchers for those eligible for Free School Meals will be provided.
- Children with other vulnerabilities will also be able to attend school as usual. The definition of this group is yet to be defined.
- For the groups noted above, schools may well be open over the Easter period. Further details to be given in due course.
- 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.

There will be additional details coming out in the next couple of days that I hope will put us in a better position to make sense of some these key announcements and how we will make them work for our school community.

We have made plans for the next couple of days that were sent out yesterday and can also be found on our website <http://www.hovepark.brighton-hove.sch.uk/covid-19>

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We have also prepared a sustainable model of on-line provision that students, in all year groups, will be able to access from Monday 23rd March 2020, this will be sent out before the weekend.

I want to reassure you that at 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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