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16<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian

## Re: All Years - The Holt School Partial Closure

Following on from the letter sent out this morning, we regret to inform you that due to high staff absence we are having to implement a programme of partial closures.

In order to support parents as much as possible with childcare, we are planning to keep Year 7 in school as normal. In addition, we are protecting Year 11 and 13 in preparation for their exams therefore the partial closures will be as follows:

Tuesday 17th March	Year 12 to work from home (apart from H&SC course where lessons will run as timetabled)
Wednesday 18th March	Year 9 students to work from home
Thursday 19th March	Year 8 students to work from home
Friday 20th March	Year 10 students to work from home

We hope this advanced notice gives you some planning time for childcare if needed. Currently there are no plans to cancel sporting fixtures, although this may change. If your daughter is involved in a match on the day her Year group is not in school, she should come in at 3.15pm. The PE staff will email the girls involved during the day to confirm.

If you work in the health, education, childcare or emergency services sectors your daughter will still be able to attend school if their year group is not attending school that day. If this applies to you please let your daughter's Head of Year know by 3.30pm the day before so that suitable cover can be arranged in the library and your daughter will need to register in reception at 8.40am.

As detailed in our letters sent on Monday 9th March and Monday 16th March, teachers will set work for these classes on Frog as per their usual timetable, subject to them being well. Please remind your son/daughter to check their email and Frog several times a day.

Teachers of the year groups working from home will be covering classes for absent colleagues so they will not be able to respond to emails as they would in the event of a full closure. If your son/daughter has any queries, he/she should email their Head of Year.

As ever, thank you for your continued support, of which we are appreciative in these unusual circumstances.

Yours sincerely

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