

17th March 2020

Dear Parent/Carers

I am writing a brief update in light of the constant changes to the Covid-19 situation.

Firstly, my heartfelt thanks to all of our school community for your support at such a challenging time. The communications, support and sense of community pulling together from parents and carers, staff and students have been incredible.

The main updates from KES as a result of yesterday's announcements are as follows:

- The school remains open for the core school day.
- Any additional clubs, out of hours sessions, activities, trips and meetings (including Year 11 Parents' Raising Achievement meeting and Year 10 Parents' Subject Evening) are cancelled until further notice.

We will endeavour to keep parents and carers informed of key information, including your child's progress, through our usual reporting mechanisms and via our usual communication channels (see below).

A reminder that we will communicate all updates via the school My Ed App, email and the website. It is, therefore, really important that we have an up to date email address for you so that you can receive these communications.

In the event of closure or partial closure, students will be set work to complete remotely via Show My Homework and Google Classrooms. Students should be familiar with both these platforms. Please encourage your child to log in tonight to check they can access all they need.

Please can parents/carers ensure the school is contacted as usual if your child is ill, in order to allow us to meet our safeguarding duties.

We continue to follow government advice and that of PHE and we will update parents and carers with any changes as they occur.

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