



17<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

### COVID-19 Daily Update

From today, we will write home to parents and carers with a daily update with regard to COVID-19 in our educational setting.

As previously advised, you can find up to date guidance from the Government using the following link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19#contents>

Closure of schools is likely at some stage. We are aware that some local schools have reduced the number of lessons they are able to provide due to staff absence. At the moment we are able to provide a full curriculum for every Year group, but obviously this may change as the week progresses. We will keep you fully informed if it does.

In the meantime, in the spirit of the guidance yesterday to avoid unnecessary travel and to minimise social contact, we have reluctantly decided to cancel the Year 11 Revision Evening for parents and carers on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> March. The information will be conveyed in an electronic form before the end of the week. We have also had to cancel all external sports fixtures for the time being, but we will continue to run practices in school as normal. We are starting to look at the more long-term consequences of this virus, such as the arrangements for public exams both before and during the main exam season. We will keep you informed as more information becomes available.

### Today we are focusing on the following:

- Ensuring that every pupil and student has access to Show My Homework. Staff will look at this with pupils and students today and tomorrow, during PSD lessons.
- A short student and staff ICT survey will be arranged to identify any current issues with staff and students being able to work from home, in the event of school closure.
- With effect from tomorrow, Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> March, afternoon registration will be held at the end of the school day to enable us to communicate up to date information to pupils and students before they leave at the end of the day.

The timing for afternoon lessons and registration will therefore be:

- 1.30pm Lesson 5
- 2.20pm Lesson 6
- 3.05pm Registration in form rooms for 10 minutes.
- 3.15pm End of School Day

It is essential that all parents and carers use School Gateway in order to receive communication from school. Please ensure that you download the App or regularly log in via: [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com).

Yours sincerely

Richard Parrish  
Headteacher

Selborne Road, Croydon CR0 5JQ • Tel: 020 8688 4014

[www.archten.croydon.sch.uk](http://www.archten.croydon.sch.uk)

Headteacher: Richard Parrish MA (Oxon)