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Dear Parent/Carer

Coronavirus Update; Partial School Closure

The current Coronavirus crisis has created many difficulties in school and staffing all year groups is becoming increasingly difficult. It is therefore, with regret, that we have taken the difficult decision to partially close the school to groups of students. This is a capacity issue and not due to any known cases of Coronavirus.

Commencing from Thursday 19 March we will be open for Y13, Y11, Y8 and Y7 students only. Y12, Y10 and Y9 students will be set work to do away from school for Thursday, Friday, Monday and Tuesday. Attendance for the days after Tuesday will be reviewed on Monday 23 March and further information will be communicated on Monday afternoon. Students from these year groups whose parents/carers are workers in the emergency services or the NHS can also attend school.

Each day at 8.25 am, in order to be briefed on the day's teaching, students should gather as follows:

- Y13 students should assemble in the large Sixth Form study area
- Y11 in the Hall
- Y8 in the Studio
- Y7 in the Dining Room

The attached sheet indicates how work will be set for students at home.

Students who are not in school but are in receipt of Free School Meals can collect a grab bag from school each day (details to follow).

Parents and students should check daily the MyED Parent App, the website and school email for updates on this information.

We are mindful of the disruption that this will cause to the life of our students and families, but to be able to safeguard students in school is a priority and with reductions in staffing we may not be able to do this without having groups at home.

Yours sincerely



S P Pender
Headteacher

Online Learning at All Saints – Student Information

Whilst the school is closed, we are moving to online learning so that you can continue with all of your subjects and keep up your school routine at home. The following information should help you to manage your work and ensure that you do not fall behind whilst you work from home.

Remember, if you are feeling unwell, concentrate on getting better before you tackle your school work.

Q: How should I manage my time?

Top tips:

- Follow your normal timetabled subjects for that day
- Check to see how much work needs to be done online or on a computer screen
- Make a plan for the day

Ideally, you should stick to the times of your normal lessons and homework time, as this will help you to keep a good routine. However, you will have a longer break (as you won't have registration!) and you may wish to move your subjects around so that you are not looking at a computer screen for too long.

It is important that you have your break and lunch. Try to drink plenty of water and, if you can, get outside for some fresh air. Depending on the government rules, this could be in your garden, going for a walk in your local area or a visit to a local park. Remember to follow the isolation rules if you are not feeling well.

Q: How will I access my school work?

All of your school work will be available either;

- On Show My Homework
- On the student site of the VLE
- Via email from your teacher (this is most likely to be for older students who need personalised feedback)

So, you will need your login details for Show My Homework (email Mr Chadburn if you are not able to access SMHWK – w.chadburn@allsaintslearning.co.uk). You should also familiarise yourself with the school VLE. Go to the Homepage www.allsaintslearning.co.uk and then click on the Student Site – you can then click on different subject areas to access resources.

Q: What do I do if I need help?

You can email any of your teachers for help. Their email addresses are all available in the search area of the email service. Open a new email, click on 'To' and type the surname of your teacher into the search box, their email address will then appear for you to select. All teachers have an email address that is: letter.surname@allsaintslearning.co.uk

We have asked all teachers to ensure that they send work for you to do and that they check their email accounts, so that they can answer your questions. However, if your teacher is ill, they may not be able to do this. If you do not receive work for your lesson, or if an email is not answered, you can contact the subject leader via the email list on the back of this sheet. Your House Progress Leader / Sixth Form Team emails are also listed. We hope that at least one of these teachers can help you!

Q: Are there other ways of learning or avoiding boredom whilst I am at home?

Yes! You could be creative and do your own projects. These could be about any topic related to your subject areas or perhaps a future career and could be in any form (written / art / photographic etc) – we know you will be creative! You could also read – you may have a library book or you could read something online. For older students, you could access a MOOC (Massive Open Online Course). There are MOOCs for just about everything you can think of and they are free online courses. Perhaps you could choose something related to your future studies or career. Futurelearn.com has lots of courses.

Get creative, keep learning and we will see you all when we open again. Take care of yourself and look after each other.

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St Don Bosco, father and teacher of the young, help us to remain safe in our communities – in school, at home and the places we go. You challenged young people to help those who were suffering and taught them the wisdom of caution to avoid infection. May our friendships, family and school community be a source of strength and help for all those who are anxious in the weeks ahead. We make this prayer through Christ, Our Lord, Amen.