



THE HELENA ROMANES SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM CENTRE

19 March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Notification of partial school closure

As I indicated in my letter to you yesterday, it will be necessary to partially close the school tomorrow. This is because of staff shortages resulting from the Coronavirus pandemic.

The school will be closed to students in Years 9 through to 13 on Friday 20 March 2020.

The school will remain open only to students in Years 7 and 8. We have made this decision on the grounds of safeguarding and, as such, we have ensured that the school remains open to our youngest students.

I would like to apologise for any inconvenience caused by this partial closure. This is not a decision that we take lightly. We know that our students in Years 11 and 13 have been particularly disrupted by the current situation and we are committed to giving them the 'send-off' that they deserve in due course.

If you are a key worker and a parent of a student in Year 9-13, we may be able to supervise your son/daughter in the Learning Zone. If you require this support, please contact us at enquiries@hrs.education and we will try to accommodate your request. While we await an updated version of the government's list of key workers, we will be basing our definition on the most recent version. This consists of: NHS workers; teachers; police officers; prison officers; social workers, and members of the armed forces.

As ever, thank you in advance of your support. We will be in touch before the end of the week regarding our plans for next week.

Yours sincerely,

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