



19th March 2020

Dear Parent/Carers,

As you will be aware, the Government has announced that all schools will close at the end of this week and most students will not be able to attend school from Monday 23rd March 2020.

Some pupils will still be able to come to school and we are currently making plans to accommodate children of key workers and those who are vulnerable. As soon as we receive government clarification and advice regarding this provision, we will contact you. Similarly, we are waiting for further guidance regarding supporting those children receiving free school meals and the implications of examination cancellations and will update you, once clarification has been received from the government.

We have been preparing in anticipation of this announcement and we are very grateful for all the hard work our staff have put in to providing learning resources for students to use from home on Edmodo, MyMaths and the website. Full details regarding access to materials has already been sent to you. Throughout this week students have been provided instructions regarding arrangements for learning during this period. Please also refer to the school website for further information and updates.

Where possible, staff will continue to work and will be able to respond to queries via email within a reasonable time-frame. However, there will be occasions when staff are unwell themselves, so your patience will be very much appreciated. If you have any general queries, please contact us via the school email address office@hamsey.surrey.sch.uk This email address will be monitored regularly throughout the closure period, excluding school holidays.

Thank you for your ongoing support and understanding. We hope you and your families are able to keep well and we look forward to welcoming all our students back at school when this situation is at an end. As promised, we will be in touch again as soon as we have more information.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher

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