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Dear Parent/Carer

RE: CORONAVIRUS – UPDATE FOR FRIDAY 24 APRIL 2020

As we come to the end of the fifth week of lockdown, I thought I would write to see how you are all bearing up and to update you on a few areas.

I do hope that you and your family are managing to cope under the current circumstances. The absolute priority now is your physical and mental health, so please follow all the guidance concerning social distancing to ensure you remain as safe as possible.

Everybody is feeling anxious, scared and worried about a whole range of things and these feelings are perfectly natural. Talking about these feelings can sometimes help lessen them, so please contact the School if you would like to discuss any concerns you may have. If you would like to talk to a member of staff, please email the School Office at office@enfieldgrammar.org, naming the person that you would feel comfortable having a conversation with and they will be happy to call you. Now is not the time for suffering alone - please stay connected. We are here to listen.

Home Learning

I hope that the work that is being set is not too overwhelming for your son. I have asked teachers to make it more manageable and to ensure that it is something that your son can do independently or with a little supervision or advice from you - I know from personal experience that having to work from home and tutor my own children is incredibly difficult. As always, keep feeding back to teachers or through the School Office, any issues or things you would like us to consider. A number of you have asked about live online lessons. This is something some staff have tried with varying degrees of success. I will not be instructing staff to do this as teaching unions are advising against it, but some teachers may wish to try this and that is their choice. I am more than happy for them to do so, as long as they follow the online safety guidance.

There have been various rumours about when schools will reopen and how this will be managed. These rumours can cause anxiety in themselves. Early dates can give false hope and distortion of information about social distancing measures that schools will have to implement, can cause unnecessary stress for students, parents and staff. We are obviously considering a number of options and will share these with you once we have a more definitive guidance from the Department for Education.



I have some good news to share with you. Our Science Department have donated their new science goggles and these have been gratefully received by Chase Farm Hospital. It a small gift from Enfield Grammar School to thank the NHS for all the brave and vital work that it is currently doing to keep our country running. Details of our donation have also been shared on our Facebook page.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your messages of thanks and for your patience and understanding in this very trying time for us all. Please take care of yourselves and your families and do not hesitate to contact the School, should there be anything that we can do to assist you in this.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C Lamb', written in a cursive style.

C Lamb
Headteacher