

Thursday 19th March 2020



Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Final day prior to closure of Bosworth Academy

As we continue our country's battle against the transmission of the disease, Covid-19, we will be closing the school to everyone except children of key workers and vulnerable children at the end of Friday 20th March. Parents of key workers and vulnerable students have been asked to state if they require this school provision to enable them to go to work outlined in my letter; ['Schools supporting key workers' children – 19th March 2020'](#) which is on our website.

At the time of writing I am expecting Friday to continue with all year groups open, for a normal school day, (subject to a safe level of staffing which I expect will be the case). On Friday tutors will be explaining to students what the home learning timetable for the closure period will look like. This will also be shared with students who are ill or who have had to self-isolate.

Our students were, once again, exceptionally well-behaved and fully engaged in their lessons across all year groups. Please mention this to them. This show of character and resilience by students is truly remarkable when you consider what is going on all around the world at present and the news about exams that was announced yesterday. I would also like to commend all of our staff who have shown true dedication to our cause and performed amazingly well during such challenging times.

We still await confirmation about exams and how student grades will be determined for Year 11, 12 and 13 students. Gavin Williamson, Secretary of State for Education, announced today that there will be further information shared either on Friday or next week. I am deeply saddened that at this stage we cannot share more. We met with all students today to reassure them that we will continue to keep them informed during these anxious times. In the meantime students should continue to prepare for 'being awarded a fair grade to recognise their work, drawing on the range of information available'. We will communicate with you further when we know more from examination boards about how this will be achieved.

During our closure teachers will set home learning remotely using Show My Homework (SMHW) so that you will be able to monitor and support completion of learning at home. More details, including a timetable that students need to follow for submission of work will be shared on Friday. Please make use of the SMHW App which your child already has access to, (passwords were previously provided to parents). Through SMHW students might be directed to use resources on our google classrooms, or other teaching platforms such as Seneca Learning, My Maths or Tassomai etc. Instructions will be made clear to students about how this work should be returned or submitted to teachers. Please support your child with this work and email their teacher during the closure period if you have any questions.

We are looking at how best to continue our provision for free school meals for eligible children and will communicate shortly about this.



I would like to thank you all for your ongoing support and hope that you and your family remain safe and well during these difficult times.

Yours sincerely,

Simon Brown
Head of School