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Dear Parents

As you know, last evening, the Prime Minister announced a third national lockdown. As a result, our recent plans have needed to be changed.

Yesterday's announcements raised many questions, not least about the impact on current year 11 students. We are assured that further information and guidance will be issued by the Department for Education over the coming days. In the meantime, I thought it might be helpful to share with you where things currently are and the arrangements for your children as a result. Much of this will really be an extension to the information already given to you.

Until at least mid-February, Oathall will move to a remote learning provision for the majority of our students. We will remain open for the children of critical workers as well as those deemed to be vulnerable.

Students should follow their normal timetable of subjects at home and access work from their correct Google Classroom each day. The Google Classroom Codes can be found [here](#), students need to ensure that they have joined their Classroom.

Teach Stream will be used for any live lessons and these will be scheduled for the time that the lesson is usually timetabled to take place. Students will be notified at least one day in advance to confirm that their lesson will be live. Year 10 & 11 will be told via email. We will share with Year 7,8, & 9 at the end of this week a spreadsheet showing each teaching group's timetable and live lessons will be highlighted in yellow along with the link to that live lesson.

For the remainder of **this week**, most Year 11 lessons will be live, students should check their emails on a daily basis for invitation details. No other year groups will have live lessons this week but will have work on their google classrooms.

From the week **beginning 11th January** we will be following our [Remote Learning Plan](#) for a "Whole school lockdown". There will be work on Google Classrooms and the minimum expectation of live lessons, as outlined.

Teachers will be monitoring the engagement from students in terms of attendance at live lessons and submission of work. You will be contacted if your child is not engaging with their remote learning.

Please alert the school if you do not have Internet access and/or access to a PC/laptop at home so that the school can provide hard copy work packs.

As a result of the closure, our plans for the mass testing of students and staff will now change. Our aim at the moment is to provide regular testing for those students and staff attending the site and we hope to be able to start this programme in the next couple of days.

Yesterday's news is unsettling for everyone and I fully appreciate the difficulties and concerns that this may cause. Supporting your children whilst they are learning at home can be challenging. Please be assured that we are here to support you and your children as much as is possible. We welcome your feedback and will continually review the provision that is in place.

Kind regards

Edward Rodriguez

Headteacher