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Dear Parents/Carers

Further to my letter yesterday, I do not think it will be any surprise that we have now got to the stage where we have to partially shut the school to some year groups. Unfortunately, we do not have enough teaching or support staff available from tomorrow to safely supervise a fully open school.

In the first instance, we will be shut to both Years 9 and 10 on Thursday 19th March and Friday 20th March. Students in other year groups should attend as usual.

I will be looking at the arrangements for next week very carefully and will communicate these to you by Friday lunchtime at the latest.

If your child is in Year 9 or 10 and unable for some reason to look after themselves for those two days and you are unable to arrange childcare and you work in an area important to the national response e.g. a healthcare professional, then they are welcome to attend as usual. If this is the case, I would appreciate a short note with details of the context. They should report to the Maths Lab to be registered at the usual time. Please do not send your child in for any other reason.

Year 10 students should mainly focus on revision for their English mock examinations.

Year 9 students should choose several of the following:

- Read
- Complete homework already set
- Review/revise previous work
- Exercise
- Use GCSEPod / Activelearn / BBC Bitesize / Duolingo
- Do a creative/making activity

Relevant Year 9 students will want to revise for their Sociology mock examination.

I apologise for the lack of notice about this partial closure but it is a very fast-moving situation and I suspect I will be writing to you again before long.

Yours faithfully

Andy Steele
Headteacher

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