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Dear Parents/Carers

As you are aware, the situation around the Coronavirus is constantly changing. We would like to thank all of our community for their sensible and positive approach so far. Whilst the advice from the Chief Medical Officer is to continue with daily life, we would like to take this opportunity to plan in case the advice changes.

Please note that if we were asked to take action and had to close the premises teaching and learning would continue, with students expected to access learning remotely. This would involve teachers providing resources and setting work for students to complete via Show My Homework.

To prepare with your son/daughter

Please talk to your son/daughter, particularly those in Year 11 and Sixth Form to ensure that they have access to the relevant work, exercise books and revision guides at home.

If the premises were to close, we would set work on Show My Homework. All students have access to this system. However, if your son and daughter still cannot access the site or does not know their password please contact us via info@langleyacademy.org. If you do not currently have access to the internet at home, please let us know immediately by ringing 01753 214440.

Please be aware we would prioritise the marking of assessments and work submitted by our public exam classes if we were to operate in this way.

Public examinations

The regulator for UK examinations, The Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ), have a contingency plan which can be implemented in the event of major disruptions to examinations. This includes an allowance for moving examination dates up to and including the 24th June, as previously advised you should not book any holidays before this date. We will continue to follow guidance from JCQ and exam boards, and students should continue to prepare for the summer exams as usual.

Trips

We have a number of overseas and UK trips scheduled. We are continuing to follow advice from the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and from the respective travel companies overseeing each trip. At this point, it would not be appropriate to take pre-emptive action, but any future decision will of course be taken following expert advice and in the best interest of the students and staff. Please ensure you are checking for emails from the Academy and looking at the website regularly for updates.

Finally, please talk to your son or daughter and reassure them. It is important to be prepared but there is no need to panic; hand washing and catching sneezes is the most important prevention right now. With these plans in place education will continue.

We thank you for your continued support.

Your sincerely

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