



27<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Dear Parent/Carer of Year 7 to 9

At present in these unprecedented times this week the school has experienced a significant increase in the number of staff that have needed to self-isolate, we are currently operating with 20% of teaching staff absent, and 12% of our support staff due to self-isolation. Covering this many classes with supply staff is unsustainable as we cannot support this many supply teachers. As a consequence on the following days next week we will be asking your daughters to work from home on a rota base system as of Monday 30<sup>th</sup> as per below:

- Year 9 will be asked to stay at home and classwork will be set on SMHW on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November
- Year 8 will be asked to stay at home and classwork will be set on SMHW on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December
- Year 7 will be asked to stay at home and classwork will be set on SMHW on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

Students will be set their work via SMHW in advance to coincide with their timetabled lesson. Teachers will not be able to live teach using Teams because we will need to use them to cover for absent teachers.

We apologise for any distress or difficulties this news may cause, and we understand that the arrangements we have been forced to make may cause inconvenience to you and your family, hence we are only seeking to take this measure for three days in the first instance.

A huge thank you in advance for your support at this time.

Yours sincerely

Ms. E. Holland  
Headteacher

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