



OLDFIELD SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

Yesterday afternoon, the government announced that all schools will close from Friday and that no public examinations will take place this academic year. This is devastating news for both students and staff who have worked so hard over the previous two years.

The statement yesterday confirmed that students will “get the qualifications they need and deserve for their academic career”. At this stage we have no details about how this will be managed but we can assure you that we will do everything we can to ensure that our students are awarded the grades they deserve. This is something we will be working tirelessly for over the coming days and weeks.

We had prioritised Year 13 students coming into school from this week onwards, working on the assumption that the exam season might continue as usual. This has now changed, therefore there will be no more taught lessons for Year 13 and they should not be in school tomorrow. We know that many of our students will be feeling confused and will struggle to deal with this news so we will ensure that there will be staff available to talk things through with individual students. If they wish to do so, they should contact the school by email or telephone and someone will call them.

At this point we do not know when school life will return to normality but we can assure you that when it does we will make every effort to give our current Year 13 cohort the opportunity to get together and to recognise and celebrate their contribution to the school.

We will keep you updated as and when we have more information from the Department of Education.

Yours faithfully

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