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Dear Parent/Carer

We have met with Year 11 students this morning. They have been simply magnificent in the support they have shown each other since yesterday's government announcement. Assembly was an opportunity for us all to come together to help our students process last night's news.

We have spent time talking to them, listening and acknowledging their feelings. We have provided reassurance that we are by their side to support them fully.

Once further information comes from government, we will communicate more details to you about how students will be impacted by the decision that exams have been cancelled.

Lessons for Year 11 students will not continue for the rest of the week. We have met again with students, and have made the decision that students do not need to remain in school for the rest of the day, or tomorrow. We need your permission before any Year 11 student can leave school, and we will be seeking individual consent for this.

If you wish for your child to remain in school because of particular vulnerabilities or circumstances, we remain open until we close tomorrow afternoon. Nevertheless, we already have significant staff absence and Year 11 lessons will not be running. Staff absence is likely to increase further tomorrow. Please speak to Ms Just, Vice Principal so that we can discuss any individual circumstances with you.

I am deeply saddened for our students that we have had such an abrupt ending to Year 11. We will be in very regular contact and be making preparation for progression into our sixth form for September 2020 in due course. We have been very clear with Year 11 students that we look forward to working with them again in Year 12.

Please do take care of yourselves and your families during the coming days and weeks ahead.

Yours faithfully



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Principal



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