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Dear Parents/Guardians,

## **Continued Education Provision for Pupils Unable to Attend School**

We have been in a fortunate position to date in which the vast majority of our pupils have been able to attend school, providing their fit and healthy and without symptoms of Coronavirus. However, we are aware that there are individuals who are unable to attend school as they are displaying symptoms, awaiting test results, or have been asked to self-isolate. We have been working hard in school to ensure that we are able to continue to provide a high standard of education for all pupils, including those who are required to stay at home.

During the lockdown period earlier this year, Firefly was the main platform used for sharing work with pupils, collecting work, and providing feedback. This will continue to be the case in the event that individuals, or groups of pupils, are working from home. By Monday October 5<sup>th</sup> all pupils, including new pupils in year 7 and year 12 will have access to Firefly.

If an individual has been asked to self-isolate it is important that, where possible, pupils continue to engage in their education whilst they are at home. Departments have been developing the resources on Firefly to ensure that the quality of our virtual curriculum is as effective as the curriculum that pupils experience in school.

Please find attached to this letter an instruction sheet for pupils who are working from home. This will guide them to the work for each subject and advice to consider when completing remote learning.

Kind regards,  
Mrs H Best  
Assistant Principal – Teaching and Learning

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Principal Mrs C Walmsley  
Chair of Governors Mrs J Garnett

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