



Tomlinscote School

19th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Following the announcement last night from the Government, Tomlinscote School will close for students at the end of Friday 20th March 2020.

We are currently partially closed and **Years 7, 10 and 11** will attend school tomorrow.

There was further significant news concerning the cancellation of GCSE examinations this summer. This was devastating news for many students after working so hard for so long. Some students from Years 7-10 were due to sit GCSEs as well this summer. I will update you with information about how these GCSEs will be graded when I am made aware myself. There are many questions but very few answers at the moment.

I have written a separate letter to Year 11 Parents and Carers outlining my thoughts and practical details for their last two days at the school.

From Monday 23rd March 2020, Tomlinscote will be open to support our community. We will provide care to two groups of students:-

Group 1 - The children of key workers

Group 2 - The children with an EHCP, looked after children and children with a social worker attached to the family. The school will communicate directly with the parents of children in this group.

Please click on the link below and complete the questionnaire if you feel that you are a 'key worker'

(As of 6.00pm tonight the Government has not published its criteria)

<https://forms.gle/XnNGRfFiEbXX4wa17>

All other children will need to stay at home.

If you indicated on the Google form that you wish your son/daughter to attend school, then the following is appropriate:

- The school will be open at 8.30am until 3.05pm
- The students will need their iPad, exercise books, a reading book and writing resources
- Students can wear normal clothes (following normal mufti guidance)
- A packed lunch
- Food will be available for students who normally receive a free school meal
- If a student cannot attend for a specific reason, please contact the school to let us know. Please email - keyworker@tomlinscoteschool.com

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Yours sincerely

Mr R Major
Principal