



Tomlinscote School

20th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Year 11 enjoyed their last morning and finished off with hot chocolate, cake and biscuits. Many shirts were signed and photos taken. We will celebrate their time with us in a special event in the future and we will have "signing off" day as well. Some students who took creative subjects (Art, Dance, Drama, Media, Music and Photography) may have pieces of coursework and portfolios still to complete over the next few weeks if they are able to do so. Their teachers will communicate with them separately.

This morning was a lovely way to end the week and Year 11 were absolutely brilliant. They are an exceptional group of people and one of the very best year cohorts Tomlinscote has ever seen.

Students of Key Workers in School:

The Key Worker Google Form has been updated following the latest guidance and we now have an accurate number of students who will attend school next week. Tomlinscote will contact these parents separately in order to confirm details and provide appropriate information. I would like to clarify to those parents to only send students to school if there is no safe alternative.

Setting Work:

All teachers have created work for the students over the next few weeks. I will produce clear guidance over the weekend so that all students and parents know what to expect in terms of home learning.

Communication:

I will continue to complete regular updates so that the Tomlinscote Community has the latest information. We will produce a Weekly Newsletter and my colleague will distribute a letter with some great suggestions. For our mental sanity, it will be great to share ideas, experiences, acts of kindness and photos.

The School Office will not have a staff member present, therefore any additional communication from parents and carers to the school should be sent to office@tomlinscoteschool.com, not by telephone. This will be checked regularly. Please do not press 'reply' to the communications that come via SIMS Intouch.

On a personal note, thank you for the many emails this week. I am looking forward to a glass of wine tonight! I would like to wish you all a good weekend in the circumstances, stay safe and thank you to everyone on the frontline tackling this virus.

Yours sincerely

Mr R Major
Principal