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Dear Families,

I hope you and your family are well and that you have everything you need to support you throughout these challenging times.

Unfortunately, we have had an increase of positive Covid-19 cases in the academy this week. The majority of these cases have been in year 11.

As a result, I have made the decision to close the academy for the whole of the year 11 bubble to prevent further outbreak. The decision is not one taken lightly but I hope you understand it is in the best interest for everyone. It is vital we keep as many members of our school community and their families as safe as possible.

Can I please remind you that a positive Lateral Flow Device positive test result means self-isolation until a negative PCR test result. If a scholar/family member tests positive on a PCR test then everyone in the household must isolate for 10 days. In order to continue to protect academy staff and scholars and the wider community in line with Government guidance, please adhere to self-isolation rules.

I want to take the opportunity to praise year 11 scholars for their conduct and dedication shown during the recent examination series. The levels of engagement given the upheaval scholars have faced this last 14 months have been outstanding. It has been an absolute privilege to work with a wonderful and mature group of young adults. I am sure we will continue to be proud of our scholars as they enter the next phase of education, training or employment.

Families will be notified on an individual basis if they are required to attend to complete coursework or complete any outstanding evidence for exams in the week commencing 7 June.

Finally thank you for your support during an incredibly difficult period during the Pandemic. I hope you have a wonderful summer and look forward to seeing scholars on 12 August for GCSE results day (more details about results day in due course).

Yours sincerely



C Skelding
Executive Principal

