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Dear Parent/carer

RE: Coronavirus Update – Sixth Form Closure

In line with the latest Government guidance, the Brigantia Learning Trust, Longley Park Sixth Form will close for the vast majority of pupils/students from the end of Friday 20th March 2020 until further notice. Resources to support students are available online and students should check for updates from their teachers on Google Classroom, Cedar and Sixth Form email.

The Government has asked parents to keep their children at home, wherever possible, and asked schools and Sixth Forms to remain open only for those children who absolutely need to attend. This includes vulnerable young people and the children of key workers who **cannot** be safely cared for at home. (e.g. Health and social care, Education and childcare, Key public services, Local and national government, Food and necessary goods, Public safety and national security, Transport, Utilities, communication and financial services).

The full list of these workers is exemplified at the end of this letter.

The Sixth Form will be open from 10:00am to 1:00pm each day, so that students in these categories can access study facilities. Please note that no lessons will be taking place and no other students should come in to Sixth Form.

If you are a key worker and your child cannot be safely cared for at home, please contact the Sixth Form. This information will allow us to take accurate registers and ensure a good staff to student ratio is maintained. We intend to run this partial closure from Monday, until we are advised to do otherwise.

All other students will need to stay at home, so we ask that you do not send your child into the Sixth Form from Monday onwards.

Teachers will do all they can to provide high quality work during this difficult time. We have contacted students who receive Bursary and Free Meals to let them know how we will continue to support them while they are not attending Sixth Form.

During this period all trips, events and exams are cancelled.

Please note that students do need to continue with their studies – and retain all of their Sixth Form work – to make sure that they are able to progress next year.

We appreciate this closure will have an impact on you and your family and we will do our best to keep you informed as the situation develops.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your continued support.

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