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Dear Parents

Thank you for all your understanding over the last few days. Unfortunately it will continue to be necessary to make changes, both to follow government advice and also to adjust for the number of staff in school.

Year 9 Vaccinations- Wednesday 18th March

Despite previous communications to assure the school that the program would go ahead as planned, only half the number of staff from the Immunisation Team were able to come in to Coloma today. This means that not all students were able to receive their vaccination as planned. The Immunisation Team will be in contact with the school to make arrangements to complete the program and we will let you know when we have more information.

Thursday 19th March

Please note that there will be a staggered early dismissal at the end of period 5, using the timings below. This is to allow for a planning meeting. School will re-open on Friday at the usual time.

Each form will go to registration at 2pm with dismissal as follows:

2.05pm Year 7, 11, 12 & 13

2.15pm Years 8&9

2.25pm Year 10

Friday 20th March

Usual school times

Letter for parents of students in Year 12

Please would all parents of students in Year 12 read the attached letter.

Attendance at school

Please be aware that it is your decision as to whether your daughter should be in school. Staff cannot offer guidance beyond the following government advice:

- *Anyone with a fever or persistent cough should stay at home for 14 days if they live with others.*
- *Anyone who lives with someone displaying these symptoms should also stay at home for 14 days.*

Please note: if you decide, using these criteria, to keep your daughter in self-isolation then she must not be in school for the next fourteen days even if she appears to have recovered fully. This includes not attending any planned events listed above. As usual, if your daughter will not be in school then please keep the Key Stage Coordinators informed.



Should your daughter need to remain at home at the moment then she should use any usual learning platforms from her lessons, (e.g. Google Classroom, My Maths, Kerboodle) to keep in touch with work.

The following website will give you further advice about actions to take regarding the coronavirus.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response>

In our prayer let us reflect on the verse before today's Gospel (Mt 5:17-19)

*Your words Lord are Spirit and life;
You have the words of everlasting life.*

Thank you again for your continued support at this tricky time. You, your daughters and your families are all in my prayers.

Sue Collins

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