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Dear Parents and Careers,

As we close our doors today I would like to thank you for your patience, support and the good wishes that you have sent into school this week. It has been a challenging week and your support has made life that little bit easier – thank you.

My heart goes out to our pupils in Year 11 particularly. So many have worked so hard to prepare for their GCSEs. I am confident, however, that a national resolution to this situation will ensure that pupils are awarded the grades that they deserve. Over coming weeks and months we will consider how we can better say 'goodbye' to these young people.

In relation to my previous communications regarding pupils working from home. Please do your best to support them in doing so; it is important that we work together to minimize the impact of our school closure on the academic progress of pupils. The more work pupils are able to complete over coming weeks, the fewer the gaps will be on our return to school.

The length of schools' closures remains unknown. We will communicate with you as things unfold and will keep you updated as and when we receive further information and guidance from Government.

As a school we remain here for you. You have been provided with contact details of staff; please do get in touch with us if you need to.

In the meantime, do all that you can to stay safe and to look after each other.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs K Craig

Head of Academy