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Dear Students/Parents/Carers,

We would like to thank you all for your patience over the last few weeks as we continue to receive news and make updates to our situation.

As you are undoubtedly aware, the decision has been made by the government to close all schools to all year groups from Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March until further notice as a measure in tackling the growing COVID-19 (Coronavirus) outbreak.

We are currently working on plans to implement the guidance in support of vulnerable students and those children of key workers, and once these plans have been finalised we will provide full details to all parents and carers.

The government also announced yesterday that the summer examinations for GCSE students will be cancelled. As yet, we have little further information on what this means exactly. We appreciate this may leave Year 11 students somewhat anxious as to what happens next with their GCSE qualifications, and to this end we expect further details to be released by the government in the coming days and weeks which will provide further clarity. Once we have any more information, we will contact you in due course. For now, Year 11 students should continue to complete their courses as normal, but they should not prepare to sit any examinations.

Please look for updates on the academy website and on social media. If you could look at the updates before calling us to see if they answer your questions, that would help us dedicate all of our resources towards making plans for the coming weeks and so get further answers more quickly.

We will be providing work in due course, based on sharepoint and the website, and some paper copies may well be available to be posted out where possible. Again, more information will be released in forthcoming updates.

We thank you for your continued support in these challenging times. As more information is known we will make it available to you and try to answer any questions you may have. We will endeavour to have further information available in good time. As always, please stay safe.

Yours faithfully

The Priory Pembroke Academy





