



**19 MARCH 2020**

Dear Parents/Carers,

**YEAR 11 TEACHING**

You will no doubt be aware that the Government has announced the closure of all UK schools for most pupils from this Friday and until further notice.

A major announcement is the cancellation of all exams for all schools. This morning in a Sky News interview, the Minister for Education has confirmed that examinations will not take place or be rescheduled. We are in the process of confirming what will be put in place to ensure, in the Government's words "children will get the qualifications they deserve."

To allow Year 11 students to say a proper goodbye to classmates and staff we are inviting them to come into school as usual in the morning. Following registration with their form tutors we will provide all with a bite to eat and a drink to mark the occasion of their leaving. Following this, students will be expected to leave the premises by 9.30 and to remain at home after this time.

We encourage students to keep in touch with their teachers during this period of home learning but please be mindful that although our staff are still working there may be cases where individuals become unwell and are unable to respond. Therefore, any urgent messages should be sent via the school central email address [whitby@whitbyhs.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:whitby@whitbyhs.cheshire.sch.uk).

We will be in touch when we have further information.

Many thanks for all your support over the years and in particular the last few weeks. I wish all our students every success and happiness for the future.

Yours sincerely

**Mr B Heeley**  
Headteacher