## **Reigate School**



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Dear Parents and Carers

Can I thank you all again for your continued support during this difficult time. At this stage, the school remains fully open but I understand many of you have concerns with your family's health and well-being, I urge you to refer to Public Health England's latest guidance (https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public) to make your decisions regarding self-isolation. We as a school will support you in those decisions.

Despite the decreasing number of staff in school I am making every effort to keep the school fully open because I feel it is our civic and moral duty to do so. As you are aware we are planning for many eventualities. One of these eventualities is a partial closure of the school. If this is the route we choose to go down, we will prioritise Year 11s and Year 7s remaining in school. The partial closure will affect Year 10s in the first instance, followed by Year 9s and Year 8s, as and when I feel this is necessary. I know that for the majority of working parents they would be happy for their secondary aged children to be at home on their own but I am also aware that for some this is not an ideal scenario, so whilst we are allowed to remain open provision will be made for children to attend school even if the school is closed to their particular year group.

Please only contact the school should your query be important and/or time sensitive. As a reminder, please report absences via the absence line number: 01737 245241 or via e-mail on <u>info@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk</u>. If you have informed us that your child is self-isolating for 14 days, you only need to contact us on the first day of isolation. If you choose to self-isolate past these 14 days, please contact us again on the 15<sup>th</sup> day.

I'm sure you are aware that in the current climate decisions that are made can potentially be short lived and that the daily government announcements can have a significant impact on the next day.

Kind regards

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