



# Tring School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Head of School Update

I hope that last weekend's wintery weather and snow provided you all with some excitement and a short break from the monotony of lockdown restrictions. I certainly enjoyed spending time outside in the snow and thinking about something else!

I am sure you are aware that the Prime Minister announced this week that schools will remain closed until at least Monday 8 March. He has outlined a list of requirements that will be considered before schools begin to open. Whilst it is not yet confirmed, it has been suggested that students will return on a staggered basis, with year groups potentially attending on a rotational basis. Schools and parents have been reassured that we will receive two weeks notice of the return to school arrangements. As soon as we hear and have devised our Tring School approach, we will be in touch.

As remote learning continues, you may wish to revisit this [link](#) (originally shared on 19 November), which reminds you of how you can help support your child.

We have also adjusted our school calendar to ensure that we can fully meet the needs and requirements of all students during this transitional time :

**All years** - Parents Evenings will continue to be online as per the school calendar dates

**Year 13 and 11** - Congratulations for completing the first half of their mock exams online. The second half is scheduled for after half term. [This letter](#) with further details was shared earlier today.

## Assessment weeks / Mock exams -

- Year 13 - Mock exams part 2 - start w/c 22 February
- Year 12 - as per the assessment calendar, w/c 26 April
- Year 11 - Mock exams part 2 - start w/c 22 February
- Year 10 - Internal Exams to be moved to June. Please note - April tracker to be moved to w/c 28/6
- Year 9 - Assessments to be completed in class, 45 minutes in length, w/c 22 February
- Year 8 - as per the assessment calendar, w/c 12 & 19 April

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- Year 7 - as per the assessment calendar, w/c 10 & 17 May

**Lesson Length** - From Monday 1 February, we will be temporarily reducing the length of lessons to 55 minutes, allowing students to prepare resources for their next lesson and to stretch their legs.

Over the next two weeks, we will endeavour to provide all students with a welfare call to see how they are feeling through this lockdown period and if they are experiencing any difficulty with their school work. Please look out for and answer from a withheld number to landlines/ first contact number during school hours.

And finally, thank you to all of the students who continue to embrace the creative online learning activities set by their teachers. This week, I have been inundated by proud teachers who are sharing the students' hard work and creative endeavours with me. I have particularly enjoyed seeing work from Miss Fleming's Year 8 class as they interpret scenes from Blood Brothers. Well done everyone.

Thank you for your continued notes of thanks, praise and ongoing support. Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Kind regards,

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Head of School