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TO ALL FAMILIES

Dear Families

You will undoubtedly be aware of the national address by the Prime Minister this evening at 8pm. It is highly likely that this will mean a national lockdown, if today's headlines are to be believed. We are unclear at the time of writing what this means for schools, but our intention is to be open tomorrow for all pupils and students who wish to attend.

Should the Prime Minister announce that schools will be closed to all but vulnerable pupils and children of key workers, we will write to you with our plans to manage the school under the accompanying guidance for special schools.

From tomorrow, we will be moving into Phase 2 of our phased response due to staffing shortages and the escalation of the virus locally and nationally. This means pupils and students will be grouped in class bubbles across the whole school, with specific groups of allocated staff. There may be a need for staff to operate outside of their usual roles and responsibilities. Provision may be disrupted and therefore pupils and students may not have access to the wider school offer, including therapeutic interventions, behaviour interventions, literacy or numeracy support.

We will update you with more information as soon as we are able to.

Yours sincerely,



Vicky Perry
Vice Principal