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SCHOOL
FOR GIRLS

Headmaster: Mr Alan Whelpdale BA, PGCE, NPQH
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Dear Parents

First of all, let me apologise for yet another communication. However, as you know, the landscape changes daily and it is imperative that I keep everyone as fully informed as possible.

We have been waiting for the government to define exactly who falls into the category of key worker, and the list has now been made public. If you believe you are one of the key workers, your children will have the option of continuing to attend School whilst it is closed to others, if they would otherwise require your supervision at home – we are assuming this will be children below Year 9.

As you know, by Government order, School will be closed to most pupils from next week, and most teachers will be working from home, so as to limit spread of the virus.

As I have already informed you, subject teachers will be setting work for their students on Show My Homework on a daily basis according to the School timetable. Students have been shown how to download the work and upload their completed work to be marked by the subject teacher. During the course of the working day, students may email members of staff for further advice, should they need it, and members of staff will reply in a timely manner. In this way we will continue to provide interactive teaching and learning for your daughters, not just a series of homework tasks.

There will be further detailed guidance sent to parents in the Junior Department today about completing the Home Learning Tasks at School and at home. Our younger pupils clearly need more guidance when completing their Home Learning Tasks, so we will try to support you and answer your 'frequently asked questions' in this document.

If you have any pastoral concerns please contact, by email in the first instance, your daughters' form tutor and/or Head of Year. They will reply to you by email, or by telephone if this is a preferred means of communication. We will continue to provide a meaningful service to the very best of our ability to the whole of our LHS community.

The girls and members of staff are rising to this unprecedented challenge in a truly commendable way. The LHS way! I am very proud of both the students, and staff, who, I know, are working incredibly hard to ensure that your daughters receive the highest possible standards of education within the limitations enforced upon the sector by the Government.

It is vital that School and home works together to ensure that our distance learning programme truly helps the girls to continue to make excellent progress. I am in regular contact with several other Heads, and it would appear that we are ahead of the game!

With every good wish.

Yours sincerely

Alan Whelpdale



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