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Dear All,

I am writing with a brief update on the coronavirus situation here at Salesian.

At the time of writing there are still no known cases of coronavirus amongst students or staff at the school. We are continuing to monitor and adhere to the advice coming from the Department of Education and Public Health England and as such the school remains open. Apart from an increased emphasis on promoting good basic hygiene habits, systematic approaches to cleaning and vigilance about signs of infection, it remains very much business as usual at Salesian.

This includes extra-curricular activities and school trips. We were very sorry to have to cancel the planned French exchange after our partner school pulled out due to coronavirus related restrictions in France but at the time of writing, all other activities are still scheduled to go ahead. Needless to say, we are monitoring closely the advice about trips abroad and plan to make a decision about the trips scheduled for the Easter Holidays on Monday 23rd March. We will of course let you know if the situation changes before then.

Despite our determination to “stay calm and carry on” as long as we can without jeopardising the well-being of the students and staff, we have been making precautionary plans for providing continuing education in the event of the government closing schools. In the event of a school closure, staff will set work online through Show My Homework, in accordance with the school timetable. Staff will also, during normal school hours, be available to communicate with students through school email accounts. The school admin team will have remote access to our communications systems and we will therefore be able to keep in contact with parents throughout any closure.

We appreciate that this is by no means a fool proof system. There will obviously be a number of challenges relating to childcare for both you as parents and for those of our staff who will have their own children at home. There will also be issues for some with access to electronic devices and the internet – if this is going to be a problem for your family, please contact your child’s Head of Year and we will do all we can to provide you with a workable solution in the event of a closure.

Needless to say, we hope that we will not have to put any of this into practice but given the current reporting on the situation it would seem prudent to be prepared for any eventuality. Despite this, please rest assured that we will continue to take a sensible approach to the situation at school and do all we can to reassure the children and prevent them from becoming unduly anxious.

Thank you for your ongoing support to rise to this and other challenges. We will be in touch with further updates in due course.

God bless,

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