

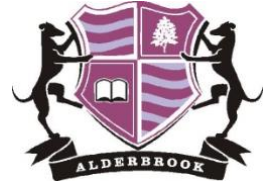
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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you and your families are keeping safe and well. Thank you for all you have continued to do in order to support students' home learning this week. Staff have been extremely impressed with the effort students are putting into their work.

We have received a number of enquiries over the last few weeks about end of year exams and assessments. I would like to clarify that there will be no end of year exams for Years 7-10 this year, even if we return to school before July. Having said that, it is crucial that students continue to engage with work set as we will need to plug any knowledge gaps and ensure understanding of the work we are setting upon return to school. Teachers will continue to assess progress. More guidance will follow regarding Year 12 assessments; while we don't wish to over-burden students with preparing for assessments and exams, it will be important to assess progress prior to the UCAS process in Year 13, but we will give further information well in advance.

Over the last few weeks we have had very few students requiring provision on the school site. We understand that, in the current climate, the situation can change quickly. Therefore, if you are a key worker and require provision, please remember you can contact us via office@alderbrook.solihull.sch.uk and we will be in touch to arrange this. We are not currently planning to open the school on the bank holiday, Friday 8th May. However, staff are on standby and therefore if you are a key worker and require provision, please contact us as soon as possible and we will be in touch. Any provision must be last resort.

I mentioned in my last letter that we have launched a new area of the school website where you will find all information related to the school closure, distance learning, free school meals and grading for summer exams. It can be found here:

<https://www.alderbrookschool.co.uk/coronavirus-updates/>.

Please also follow our school twitter thread as information and guidance is regularly posted. You can find us by looking up @AlderbrookSch.

Very best wishes

Tom Beveridge
Headteacher