



17 March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Coronavirus Contingency Plan

I am writing to inform you that, following a risk assessment, we have unfortunately taken the decision to operate a partial closure of the school as a result of staff shortages. We have a significant number of colleagues who have had to self-isolate for the next 14 days. This will undoubtedly lead to Safeguarding and Health and Safety risks for the remainder of this week if we continue to open as usual.

Therefore, I am notifying you that, for the remainder of this week the school will be **open** to:

- Year 11 Students
- Year 13 Students
- Children of Frontline Services Employees (NHS Staff, Police & Fire Fighters) are welcome into school if you are unable to provide them with suitable childcare. Please email us at office@cornwallisacademy.com to inform us that your son/daughter will be attending school and we will make every effort to supervise them in school. Please inform your child to report to 9A plaza with reading material and plenty of work to study independently.

Please note: This is the current situation, and this may change, at short notice.

To ensure the momentum of learning is maintained during the closure, we will continue to support students by:

- Providing work via class teachers, electronically via www.cornwallisacademy.com/homelearning.
- Monitoring completed work; providing feedback whenever possible.
- Responding to email requests from parents and students to maintain contact with the school and their teacher(s).

I appreciate the closure will have an impact on you and your family. I am disappointed that the school has had to take this action and I apologise sincerely for this. However, I hope that you understand our need to adapt and be flexible to this rare and challenging situation.

We will keep in touch via email and the website with any updates as the situation develops. Please do look at our Social Media too.

In the meantime, please use NHS 111 online if you or your child feels ill and you want to know what to do next. We wish you and your family well in the present situation. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs I Linney-Drouet
Headteacher