

Court Grammar School

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians

Update Number 3 - week beginning 23 March 2020

There are a few reasons why I thought I should communicate with all of you today and may do so more frequently now.

- 1. Firstly, thank you for your lovely emails, calls and messages of support.
- 2. We are absolutely encased by the love, support and understanding our families are showing us.
- 3. We have never been asked to make so many decisions so fast on matters that are totally out of our control in the first place.
- 4. Schools are still open, and we are still here!
- 5. Parents are making decisions on what is best for their families and I make absolutely no judgements about this, but as I have been asked, yes, my grandchildren are at school as usual.
- 6. Our staff are here supporting me and each other through these unprecedented times.
- 7. All our staff are providing work as fast as humanly possible to the students at school and to those at home.
- 8. I have today assured our Year 12 students that they are in the privileged position of being given every benefit of doubt! By this I mean that what is best for them is being considered at levels much higher than at the local school. We are encouraging even TESTS to be done for their own growth and development. The marks will NOT be used as we cannot guarantee the conditions under which these are done at home but all our students can use it as a way to judge their own progress and our staff are happy to mark and provide feedback for this developmental purpose.
- 9. Our Primary students WILL be getting a written Interim Report in place of the Parent conferences we have had to cancel for the present time
- 10. We have managed to get soap and disinfectant and our cleaners are doing extra cleaning daily as well.
- 11. We keep encouraging constant attention to hygiene.
- 12. It is so important that we keep our young people as calm as possible and in as much normality as we can.

Look after each other and we will come out the other side!

Warm regards

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