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16<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are getting updates on a daily basis around coronavirus. I will outline to you now some significant calendar cancellations that we have taken, liaising with other Stockport schools. I am conscious that even by the time some of you read this that advice/guidance may change. Please follow us on social media on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter, as well as using the email account [admin@stannershighschool.com](mailto:admin@stannershighschool.com) for any specific enquiries.

### **Guidance on sending students to school**

NHS current advice is as follows:

Stay at home for 7 days if you have either:

- a high temperature – you feel hot to touch on your chest or back
- a new, continuous cough – this means you've started coughing repeatedly

If this is the case, simply let us know. Absence through self-isolation will incur no fines for absence, but you must let us know that you are self-isolating so that we can use the correct attendance code.

### **Calendar cancellations**

Year 8 and 10 parent/carer evenings on 26th March and 2nd April are cancelled. As per the school calendar, parents will receive assessment information for these year groups before the Easter holiday. If you have any queries when you receive this data, instructions of how to get in touch will be included. We are not rescheduling at this stage as we do not know to which date we would be able to reschedule, so we will rely on email communication instead.

Our "Welcome to our family!" event for new intake on Tuesday, 31st March is postponed; we will be in touch when we reschedule.

Sports fixtures are cancelled until Easter as it stands.

### **Remote working**

We are in the process of setting up Microsoft Teams to assist us with communication with students in the event of a closure. Class teachers will be available remotely through Teams on <https://teams.microsoft.com> or through the app available on computer, tablet and smartphone.

Student login details will follow once we have accounts up and running - Microsoft Teams is under strain today, but we will let you know as soon as it is working. We will continue to work on how we will provide work in the event of closure for those with no internet access.

As you will be aware, this is new territory for most public service establishments worldwide and we aim to keep our communication channels open as we receive more guidance and information.

*"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" (Philippians 4)*

Yours in Christ

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Wright', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mr Dan Wright  
Headteacher

