

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you had a very happy Christmas and are looking forward to celebrating the New Year in the best way that you can under the circumstances we are all faced with.

I am sorry to email over the holiday period, but I have received an email from the Director of Education at WSCC. The email confirms that **West Sussex schools have been asked to use Monday 4th January 2021 as an additional INSET day**. Within this day, we will be looking at provisional plans for how we can potentially implement a programme of lateral flow testing, for staff and students, if required to do so.

Please accept my email as notice of the closure so that you have as much time to make alternative plans as possible. We are obviously in very uncertain times at the moment and I cannot rule out the possibility that I will be contacting you again, before Monday 4th January 2021, with information on any further changes that could come our way from central government. Should there be no further changes; the start of term will work as follows:

Monday 4th January 2021 - INSET day

Tuesday 5-8th January 2021 - All Year 11 **onsite** in full school/PE uniform (Mock examinations start). Year 7-10 students, *from families with a critical worker*, to attend school in full school/PE uniform if they have registered their intention to attend. (Please ask your daughter to bring a packed-lunch for the first week back at school if she is in Years 7-10)

All other students will follow their normal timetable via TeachStream at home. (Please ask your daughter to check FROG for lesson links.)

Monday 11th January 2021 - All students to attend as normal

My sincere thanks for all the support and understanding that you continue to show.

Yours faithfully

Chris Keating