



Friday, 20 March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Following the government announcement that all schools should close from Friday, 20th March, 2020, with the exception of children of parents who work in key industries and vulnerable children, the College will be adhering to this directive.

This is not an ideal situation but something we must do to try to ensure the safety of everyone in the community but most importantly the elderly and the most vulnerable in our society. I would request that as families you adhere to the government advice to social distance, particularly the students, during this extended time away from the College.

I know this is a particularly difficult time for those students in years 11, 12 and 13 who were due to take examinations this summer. A separate letter has been produced for these students who, I must state, have worked tirelessly in preparation for their examinations.

Extensive teaching resources, as well as safeguarding information, are now available for all students in all year groups through the website www.archbishopbeck.com. This will be updated during the closure. Please ensure your children continue to study each day. A daily routine of learning, exercise and breaks will help your children.

As I have mentioned the College will be closed for all students with the exception of children of parents who work in key industries and vulnerable children. If your child is in one of the categories and is intending to attend College next week can you please contact us immediately.

- College will be open from 8.30am to 2.45pm
- Students will be supervised and given classwork to complete but there will be no individual lessons
- Students will be provided with a packed lunch
- Students do not need to wear their school uniform

The local authority are in the process of creating educational hubs across the city for children to attend. Once these are functioning the intention is for Archbishop Beck Catholic College to close completely. We will notify parents as soon as these facilities are in place.

If any parents need to contact the College please do so through email – info@beck.uk.com. All updates for parents/carers will be communicated through the website. Please check the website regularly.

Many thanks for your support at this difficult time. Please stay safe and healthy.

Best wishes

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