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To Parents and Carers of Students in Years 9 and Year 10

You will of course all be aware of the developing situation around Covid-19. We are continuing to be wholly responsible in fulfilling the duty of care we have to our students, staff and our wider school community, including you all, by following the advice and guidance from the Government and Public Health England.

With that at the forefront of our minds, we have taken the decision today that, because of staff shortages, caused by self-isolating as advised by the Government, we are closing the school to Year 9 and Year 10 students on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March.

**Students in Year 9 and Year 10 are not to come to school on these days and need to remain at home. The school will be open for students in all other year groups.**

If your son/daughter is in receipt of free school meals, they should attend the community entrance to the canteen at 1pm on each day to collect their meal.

They will be set work via the 'Show My Homework' website, which students should access online. If they do not have access to the internet, learning packs will be available for students from the library between 9am and 10am on each day of partial closure.

We will review the partial closure on Thursday and will update all parents and carers accordingly following our meeting that day.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Yours sincerely

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**Director of Education (Chatham)**



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