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Dear Parents/Carers

We hope that you and your families are safe and well. We have been extremely pleased with the attitude and work ethic of Sixth Formers during this first week of school closure. Their engagement with the online provision has been excellent.

Remote Learning and Welfare Calls

We have a detailed and comprehensive remote provision plan that is available for parents to view through our school website, under the 'COVID INFORMATION' section. We will teach the same curriculum that would be taught in school where possible, and teachers are using and selecting the most effective methods to deliver this. Students will continue to receive their work and instructions through **Satchel One**, and there is a guide for parents on the school website too. Live lessons will be offered alongside other equally valuable methods, such as pre-recorded materials, written tasks and other online learning platforms. Students should also log onto Microsoft Teams each day to attend live lessons and check their emails for any further updates or information. The calm and purposeful nature of Sixth Form lessons will of course be expected to continue in live online lessons.

Students who are working from home should expect to receive welfare checks from their form tutors starting from next week. Students will receive a welfare call every two weeks, and form tutors will also speak with parents.

Key Worker Provision in School

Please find attached the recent key worker list from the government. We are welcoming students into school if either or both parents are key workers. If you are a key worker and would like your child to attend school, please email attendance@stmaryschesterfield.org.uk with the following details:

- Your child's name.
- The occupation of the key worker.
- Letter from employer confirming your status as a key worker.
- Whether you would like your child to attend daily or just certain days.

Uniform – Sixth Formers are not required to wear school uniform.

Buses – Regretfully, school buses will not be running from Monday 11 January. A separate letter will be sent to the parents of children who currently have a school bus pass.

Packed lunches – Our catering facilities remain closed and students should bring a packed lunch with them each day. Students who receive Free School Meals should now also bring a packed lunch, as food parcels have now been offered to all students in receipt of FSM and healthy packed lunches can be prepared from these food items.

Live, Love and Learn in the Light of Christ

Mask wearing – students must continue to follow school rules and risk assessments regarding mask wearing and using designated outdoor spaces, when arriving at school and during break and lunchtime.

Registration – Sixth Formers may arrive from 8am. Year 12 students should report to VIVA to be registered in the morning. Similarly, Year 13 should report to Silent Study. They will be based in these exclusively Sixth Form areas.

Passwords – If students or parents have forgotten their passwords for **Satchel One**, please email kwood@stmaryschesterfield.org.uk

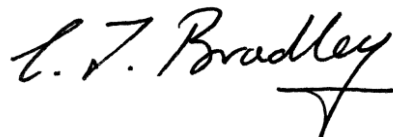
Headphones and laptops – Students should bring in their own headphones to ensure they can engage fully in timetabled live and pre-recorded lessons. If they have their own laptop they should bring this with them too.

We are very much looking forward to when all our students can return to school. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact school, should you have any queries.

Yours faithfully



Mrs M Dengate
Headteacher



Mr C Bradley
Assistant Headteacher (Sixth Form)



Key Worker Jobs

Health and Social Care

This includes, but is not limited to, doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, social workers, care workers, and other frontline health and social care staff including volunteers; the support and specialist staff required to maintain the UK's health and social care sector; those working as part of the health and social care supply chain, including producers and distributors of medicines and medical and personal protective equipment.

Education and Childcare

This includes:

- childcare
- support and teaching staff
- social workers
- specialist education professionals who must remain active during the coronavirus (COVID-19) response to deliver this approach

Key Public Services

This includes:

- those essential to the running of the justice system
- religious staff
- charities and workers delivering key frontline services
- those responsible for the management of the deceased
- journalists and broadcasters who are providing public service broadcasting

Local and National Government

This only includes those administrative occupations essential to the effective delivery of:

- the coronavirus (COVID-19) response, and the delivery of and response to EU transition
- essential public services, such as the payment of benefits and the certification or checking of goods for import and export (including animal products, animals, plants and food), including in government agencies and arm's length bodies

Food and other necessary goods

This includes those involved in food:

- production
- processing
- distribution
- sale and delivery
- as well as those essential to the provision of other key goods (for example hygienic and veterinary medicines)

Public Safety and National Security

This includes:

- police and support staff
- Ministry of Defence civilians
- contractor and armed forces personnel (those critical to the delivery of key defence and national security outputs and essential to the response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak and EU transition)
- fire and rescue service employees (including support staff)
- National Crime Agency staff
- those maintaining border security, prison and probation staff and other national security roles, including those overseas

Transport and Border

This includes those who will keep the air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport modes operating during the coronavirus (COVID-19) response and EU transition, including those working on transport systems through which supply chains pass and those constructing or supporting the operation of critical transport and border infrastructure through which supply chains pass.

Utilities, Communication and Financial Services

This includes:

- staff needed for essential financial services provision (including but not limited to workers in banks, building societies and financial market infrastructure)
- the oil, gas, electricity and water sectors (including sewerage)
- information technology and data infrastructure sector and primary industry supplies to continue during the coronavirus (COVID-19) response
- key staff working in the civil nuclear, chemicals, telecommunications (including but not limited to network operations, field engineering, call centre staff, IT and data infrastructure, 999 and 111 critical services)
- postal services and delivery
- payments providers
- waste disposal sectors