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Hello,

The Virtual Green Room School.

As you know we are currently offering virtual lessons in the mornings followed by 'in school' afternoon activities, with online options for those students who can't be with us physically.

Following the government guidance published yesterday concerning pupils with EHCP's, which includes all of our pupils, we are adapting our approach to best keep our pupils safe.

The government has said:

"Those with an EHC plan should be risk-assessed by their school or college in consultation with the local authority (LA) and parents, to decide whether they need to continue to be offered a school or college place in order to meet their needs, or whether they can safely have their needs met at home. This could include, if necessary, carers therapists or clinicians visiting the home to provide any essential services. Many children and young people with EHC plans can safely remain at home."

We have risk assessed our pupil cohort and have decided they can remain safely at home. For the avoidance of doubt, it is clear the government would like as many people to be at home and isolated as possible; and **so 'in school' activities will cease for everyone's safety from today.**

We are still very much open for business in two main ways.

1. A Virtual School - We are maintaining a full curriculum and using the range of options through our G-Suite to deliver lessons. In live meeting rooms and through set tasks. LSA's/Teachers are still available to support specific needs.

2. Pastoral Care - therapy sessions are still happening as they would have done, now online in audio only. All pupils have a coach who is 'checking in with them' for basic needs and personal progress.

We appreciate that the situation may become more difficult as the isolation period continues. We will be continually monitoring the emotional wellbeing of the pupils during this time and do whatever we can to help. Thank you for your support while we all adapt to these challenging times. Please do get in touch if you have questions.

With Best Wishes,

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