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Dear Parent/Guardian

Once again, please can I thank you for your patience and understanding as my colleagues in schools navigate this challenging situation.

We are constantly reviewing our practice in light of our priorities of keeping pupils/students and staff safe, but also providing as robust an education provision as possible. Across our schools, we have reviewed our practice in three areas as follows:

- As of today, we are cancelling all trips, fixtures as well as any onsite events. Where they can be postponed, we will rearrange them. Where we cannot do this, we will work with our insurers to provide compensation.
- We will reduce assemblies to a minimum, so it is important that pupils and students listen carefully to notices given out by teachers and tutors.
- As of Tuesday 17 March, we will be closing the **secondary and special school sites** from 4pm each day to allow everyone to get back to their homes as quickly as possible. This means that extra-curricular clubs, including homework club will be cancelled.
- Regarding **Great Hollands Primary School**, Mr Ferris will be writing to his community separately about arrangements for wrap-around care for this week and then from Monday 23 March 2020.

Please also be aware that, across the Trust, we have some staff who are self-isolating in line with recent guidance. We are unable to ascertain whether these are indeed coronavirus as testing is not now being routinely undertaken. The current expectation is that we keep schools open, but it may mean that teaching arrangements may change eg: bigger classes, merged classes and so on.

We will keep you updated as and when there are any changes and once again, thank you for your support during this time.

Yours faithfully

Miss Mary Davies

Chief Executive Officer
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