

20<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

We have been instructed to close the school for most children from 2.30 pm Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020 until further notice.

Your son must now start studying independently at home with the support of learning materials via the school's website and work packs received in school. On our website, please go to the Home Learning tab and select the work for your son's year group (Y11 and Y10) and Key Stage (KS3 - Y7, Y8 and Y9).

All staff email addresses are available on the school website and your son should email work to his teacher in order to receive guidance and feedback. Teachers will be available at least once per day via email.

One of the most valuable things your son can do at home is read – reading promotes academic progress and improves your child's vocabulary. Recommended reading lists can be found on the school website and there are online newspapers such as The Guardian. We recommend that your son follows his normal school timetable at home in order to maintain structure to his day.

We will remain open to look after the children of key workers and vulnerable children. Examples of key workers include NHS staff, police and supermarket delivery drivers who need to be able to go to work to support the country's fight to tackle coronavirus.

Please follow this link to see if you are a key worker:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

Vulnerable children include those who have a social worker and those with Education, Health and Care Plans – a legal document that describes a child's special educational needs and the support they require.

We also will find ways of ensuring that those on Free School Meals do not miss out. This may be in the form of a voucher or some scheme, yet to be announced by the Government. In the meantime, if your son wants a free school meal, you should contact the school so we can make the necessary interim arrangements.

If you have a question, please contact the school by emailing your questions to [office@burnage.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:office@burnage.manchester.sch.uk) or phoning 0161 432 1527 and leaving a message.

I thank you in anticipation for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

**I D Fenn**  
Headteacher



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