

6 April 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are well.

Unfortunately, we have a significant number of staff absences. As a result, I have made the decision to close the school for all of **Year 10 from Thursday 7 April 2022 until Friday 8 April 2022**, as we cannot staff their lessons and keep students safe. Finding staff from agencies is also incredibly difficult and often we cannot get supply teachers in.

### Home Learning - Streamed Lessons

During this partial closure, the academy will provide the majority of sessions as live-streamed lessons. Due to absence, the staff member delivering this lesson may not be your child's normal classroom teacher but will be a subject specialist. Students will start with a **live streamed tutor session at 8.25am** each day hosted by Mr Baker who will remind them how to find the codes for the rest of their lessons during the partial closure as well as deliver a tutor time activity. **The link for the tutor session and all live-streamed lessons will be in your child's Year Group Google classroom.**

As part of our drive to ensure high engagement with online learning, we will be monitoring student attendance to lessons using a **Google registration form** which will also be provided by the teacher delivering the streamed lesson. The timings of each lesson will follow the school day (please note the break time period for Year 10 will be 10.45-11.00 and lunch time is 13.00-13.30). Period 3 on both Thursday and Friday will be an EBACC lesson for Geography, History or Modern Foreign Languages. If a student studies more than one of these subjects then they can select the lesson they would like to study.

If your child is unable to log into Google Classroom (for example, if they have forgotten their password) please contact Gary Ives [g.ives@hemsworth.outwood.com](mailto:g.ives@hemsworth.outwood.com)

If your child is unable to access work from home, please contact Mr Ives using the email above to arrange for support from the academy.

This is the Year 10 timetable for your child to follow.

	8.25-8.45	Period 1 8.45 – 9.45	Period 2 9.45 – 10.45	Period 3 11.00 – 12.00	Period 4 12.00 – 1.00	Period 5 1.30 – 2.30
Thurs 7 April	Tutor time	English Language	Core PE	History, Geography, or French	Maths	Science
Fri 8 April	Tutor time	Maths	English Literature	History, Geography or Spanish	English Literature	Maths

Further work is also available to all students via:

- Hegarty Maths
- Oak National Academy
- BBC Bitesize
- <https://science.outwood.com/>
- <https://sites.google.com/outwood.com/maths/home>

For students in receipt of free school meals, if you would like a lunch hamper prepared for the closure please contact Sue Vaughan (Catering Manager) at [s.vaughan@hemsworth.outwood.com](mailto:s.vaughan@hemsworth.outwood.com) or ring the academy on 01977 624220.

We appreciate that this change is short notice and may inconvenience you but it is essential that we safeguard our students, staff and wider school community.

If you are defined as a Critical Key Worker or your child is identified as vulnerable as per the government guidance and require provision for your child, please send your child to Reception in the morning at their usual school start time.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch. In the meantime, we look forward to seeing your child on the remote learning platform from **Thursday 7 April 2022 returning to school on Monday 25 April 2022.**

Yours faithfully



T Rutter  
**Principal**