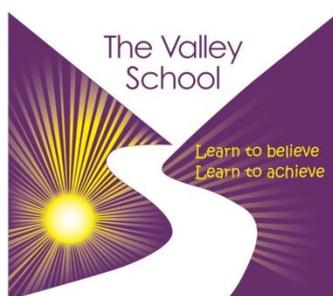


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Dear Parents and Carers,

WE DO NOT INTEND TO CLOSE

I am sure you will have seen the announcement yesterday about schools closing to the majority of children and young people. My commitment to you continues to be that, for as long as we can keep our pupils and staff safe and well, we will continue to operate as a school. Staff and pupils have welcomed this decision, as we are all aware that a long period of enforced inactivity and lack of routine could be very challenging. Decisions will be reviewed on a daily basis, so that I can respond to any unavoidable increases in staff absence.

School Transport is expected to continue, although some companies may have staffing issues over the next few weeks. We have been assured that Herts Catering will continue to provide daily food. There may be a limited menu, as deliveries are unpredictable. We ask you to be patient and understanding with these matters.

Year 11 pupils will not be expected to attend school on Thursdays. North Herts College are not providing the Link Course until further notice and we have not yet been able to put anything in its place.

Rules around self-isolation remain in place and the additional measures we put in place yesterday will continue. You may also find that there are additional pressures within your family due to siblings' schools making different arrangements. We will respect your decision, if you choose to keep your son or daughter at home.

We will endeavour to keep the website updated and ask that you check it frequently for any changes.

Thank you again for all your support. Without your support, the resilience of our pupils and the amazing commitment of our staff, we would not be able to continue in this way.

Yours sincerely,

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