

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you are all managing to keep well during this crisis that we are all facing.

As you know we have been monitoring pupil and staff numbers on a daily basis. A large number of staff are now self-isolating due to their own health or that of a family member. Along with this, a significant number of pupils are also self-isolating with their families. This has caused a lot of disruption to the learning of pupils in school.

From tomorrow, we will only have 2 teachers in school. I cannot run a school without teachers!

Therefore, I regret to inform you that **The Rose School will close on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March.**

I will assess the situation on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March and will inform you of any further decision then.

I know this is worrying for you and your families and I can assure you that this is not a decision that has been taken lightly.

Staff will be working from home to plan future learning for your child's return to school and will be contactable via email Monday – Friday from 9am until 3pm. Please get in touch with your child's tutor team if you need any support. I have included staff emails with this letter.

All pupils in Year 6-10 have been assigned project work that they can complete and Year 11 pupils have been given revision packs. All pupils can access the Google classroom that has lots of additional work too. They certainly shouldn't be bored!

So much about this virus and the impact it could have is unknown and I am not prepared to put our children and the staff at this school at any further risk. It is simply not good enough to keep going and hope that everyone will be ok!!!

Please make sure you are following the sensible health advice and for those of you with underlying health conditions, please stay safe.

If you need anything at all, please get in touch.

I will be available on email – [head@rose.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:head@rose.lancs.sch.uk)

Kind regards

Claire Crowley