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## School update, 31 March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I very much hope this ParentMail finds you well. Here are questions that some parents have asked recently, and our answers, in case you find them of interest.

### **When will the school re-open for all students?**

We don't know at this time because the decision rests with the Government. Some people say it is unlikely that schools will re-open before the Autumn term but whilst that is clearly possible, it can only be speculation because it very much depends on what happens with the Coronavirus situation over the coming weeks and months.

The school is currently open for the children of key workers and for 'Vulnerable' pupils, where parents need the provision, and it is being staffed on a rota by both teachers and support staff. We intend to stay open over the Easter holiday, including the bank holidays, and staff have kindly agreed to continue to come in to make this happen.

### **Is there any news about GCSE/BTEC/A Level grades for students in Year 11 and Year 13?**

We are expecting to receive news from the Government this school week and as soon as we have it, we will write to all parents. The news will also affect students in Year 10, who would have sat their RPE examination this summer.

### **What work should my Year 11/ Year 13 child be doing at this time?**

We think the best thing that Year 11 and Year 13 students can do at this time is work that will or may help them with their next steps. For example, someone wanting to do BTEC Sport in the Sixth Form could be doing work in that area; someone planning on doing A level Geography should be doing Geography work etc... and reading around a subject is always good - reading in general is a great thing to do at any time.

### **My child is in Year 7/8/9/10/12. What work should she/he be doing at this time?**

All students should devote a reasonable amount of time each day, Monday to Friday, to doing the school-work that has been set for them by teachers. This includes contacting teachers with questions about the work etc...

Alongside the specific subject-work, we strongly recommend that everyone reads for a period of time each day; at least an hour would be great.

## **How can parents help?**

Expect your child to do their school-work every day, Monday to Friday. Encourage them to do it. Have a look at what they are doing. Quiz them on their learning. And please do get in touch with staff at the school with any queries.

As well as doing school-work, it's important that everyone takes exercise every day and keeps in contact with friends and relations, within the guidelines set by the Government.

If you have a question or would like to suggest something that the school can helpfully do at this time, please always feel free to email us at [covid-19@hinchbk.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:covid-19@hinchbk.cambs.sch.uk).

Keep safe.

Best wishes

Mr Patterson, Principal