



# Chestnut Grove Academy

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Dear Families,

You will be aware from the Prime Minister's announcement on Monday evening that England has entered a full lockdown and schools will be closed until mid-February. On Monday I wrote to you about our remote learning arrangements up until the 18<sup>th</sup> January. These arrangements will continue as previously outlined for this week, but next week **all** students will be engaged in remote learning until further notice. Chestnut Grove is now following its remote learning policy which is available for you to view on our website [here](#). This policy clearly outlines what you can expect from us. I am delighted that remote learning has started this week which has included a number of live lessons for students in Years 11, 12 and 13. We have received some fantastic feedback from parents already – thank you. It is equally pleasing to see the activity on teams as students in Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 engage with their home learning assignments.

The Prime Minister also announced on Monday that *"It's not possible or fair for all exams to go ahead this summer as normal. The education secretary will work with Ofqual to put in place alternative arrangements."* I appreciate that this uncertainty may cause some anxiety for students in Year 11 and Year 13. It is vitally important that students in Year 11 and Year 13 continue to fully engage with their studies, despite the ambiguity of this announcement. We want them to be fully prepared for whatever assessment looks like this summer and I know their teachers will be working tirelessly to ensure they reach their potential. We will provide you with more information as soon as it becomes available.

Yours faithfully,

Christian Kingsley

Headteacher

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