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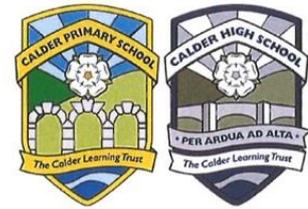
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Coronavirus update - Wednesday 18th March

Dear Parent,

In these unprecedented times we are doing our very best as a school to keep parents and carers regularly up to date with rapidly changing circumstances, while also trying to support the learning of all students be it in school or at home.

In light of latest Government advice, an increasing number of staff are no longer able to come to work and, as a result, we have had to make the decision that Calder High School will only be open for Years 7 and 11 from tomorrow, Thursday 19th March. Therefore, Year 8, 9 and 10 will not be in school. We obviously wish to prioritise in-school learning for year groups who are closest to their GCSE examinations, while also giving continuity in learning for the youngest students in Calder High School. Calder Primary School will remain open to all pupils tomorrow, however, the situation will be reviewed again on Thursday.

We currently do not have any firm plans for re-opening school to Years 8, 9 and 10 but the Senior Leadership Team will do everything they can to ensure you are fully informed as to when we will be able to re-open. As you are aware, arrangements for the setting of work are available on the school website.

Please can I take this opportunity to remind parents that we use multiple sources for communication including email, class charts, website and social media platforms. Thank you to all those parents who have posted positive comments and have offered support in these very challenging times. Schools are currently trying their very best to maintain a level of provision in collaboration with other schools and Local Authority Officers. If parents have any specific comments about the management of this current situation, please can I ask that they direct them to the Department of Education and their MP instead of our staff who are putting their student's education above their commitments to their own health and families.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance>

Thank you once again for your support in these most challenging times.

Yours faithfully,

Anthony Guise
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