



# Penwortham Girls' High School

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Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to update you on the current situation in relation to COVID 19 coronavirus and our plans as a school.

We are continuing to monitor the Public Health advice for Education Settings, which is updated daily and will act accordingly with any advice given.

Our school is focused on ensuring good hygiene and regular cleaning of high contact areas. We are also ensuring that all toilet and wash facilities are topped up with soap, that we have a continuous flow of hot water and that the hand sanitiser dispensers around the school are topped up.

**At present, we are 'keeping calm and carrying on' with no intention at present to either close the school or offer a reduced timetable.** If this changes (in the event of a high level of staff absence), we will let you know as soon as possible. If this does happen, we will prioritise Years 10 and 11 and do whatever we can to ensure their learning is not disrupted at such a critical time in their education.

It is vital that we also check communication systems in school in anticipation of possible forced closures:

- Please can I ask parents/carers to ensure that the school has your up to date contact information including an email address.
- Can parents/carers check the school website daily in case there are any updates? Parents/carers should also ensure they have an up to date login and password for Parent Mail.
- Please could parents contact school through the email at [enquiries@penworthamgirls.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@penworthamgirls.lancs.sch.uk) to arrange a login and password if they need one.
- If we are required to set work remotely, this will be done through ClassCharts. Parents and students have logins for ClassCharts and this will allow you to access and check any work set for your child in the event of students being asked to work from home.
- If you have any concerns about accessing the work, please contact the school reception.

We are working hard to ensure the school keeps the safety of staff and students a priority, whilst ensuring that learning continues. We will endeavour to communicate regularly about updates, as and when we receive them. We will review forthcoming events and provide further updates and information, as and when necessary.

Please use the following sites for more information:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>



<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K Pomeroy', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mrs. K Pomeroy  
Headteacher