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Dear Parent/Carer

Coronavirus – Update for school settings

Please also refer to the letter from Mark Wilson, CEO of Wellspring Multi Academy Trust, following Sunday evening's announcement by the Prime Minister.

The updated position from the Department for Education is that there is no change to the current arrangements for secondary schools. At this stage, it seems likely that secondary schools will not re-open to students in years 7, 8 and 9 until September. There may be a limited opening for year 10 students prior to the end of the summer term and I will contact year 10 parents separately regarding these arrangements.

As a result, Beacon has a limited opening providing essential childcare for the following groups of students:

- Students whose parents are key/critical workers
- Vulnerable students who have social workers, child protection plans, or are looked after by the local authority
- Students with an educational health care plan whose needs cannot be safely met at home.

The academy will continue to provide physical work-packs and use online portals such as Edlounge and Show My Homework. Parents of students who receive free school meals will be able to collect these vouchers from the academy and our pastoral team will continue to make welfare telephone calls to all parents and carers.

I will be in contact with further information when the situation changes.

Thank you for your continued ongoing support of Beacon academy.

Take care and stay safe.

Yours sincerely

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