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Dear Parents / Guardians,

School Closure and access to learning resources for students

Over the course of last few days the national state of play with COVID-19 has escalated. The Department for Education and Government line remains very clear that all schools nationally should remain open. As such, St Thomas More will, unless there is a serious localized issue or a national directive, remain open. Parents and Guardians are strongly advised to follow the most up-to-date information as issued by Public Health England.

In light of this and in the event of the school having to close we have taken adequate measures for all pupils to be able to continue with their studies at home. Staff will be setting tasks via the homework section on Firefly as normal and students can keep in touch with staff through this tool. Below is a brief outline on what is available for the various subjects:

Key Stage 5 – Years 12 and 13

Geography: Each lesson is fully resourced and available on the Subject area on Firefly and there are many resources in the revision sections

Religious Studies: Year 12: All lesson PowerPoint are available on Firefly for students to follow. Each student would need to log on, select the topic that they are currently covering / will be to cover and follow the work from there. Individual teachers may also set tasks (as normal) for their section. The resources will be accessed by following: Firefly-resources – KS5 – RE – (then the chosen section) – (then current topic)

Religious Studies: Year 13: Philosophy and Ethics units have been finished being taught so you will be required to continue with your own revision in preparation for the exams. Mrs Lovesey will be available via email for questions on blovesey@stm.beds.sch.uk. Mrs Ronayne will set lessons/work via tasks on Firefly for you to complete. Also ensure you start your revision for the New Testament section as well. Remember there are loads of additional resources on firefly to help you.

PE: Year 12: Students should continue with revision with all the relevant revision material already given to revise from. Supporting PowerPoints are on Firefly.

PE: Year 13 Students have a list of documents to complete for their final assignment.

ICT: You will find access the blue resources folder and exam papers for provided to support revision, as well as Unit tasks and assignment information.

MFL: Students are to continue working through their text book, tasks on Firefly and email with their teacher directly.

Art: Students are working on practical projects, we will aim to best prepare students with materials should they need to take any home beforehand, and the aim is to provide written feedback to photo updates through Firefly

History: Resources available on Firefly include German Democracy and Dictatorship and Russia and its Rulers.

History: Year 12: Students should continue reading the Turvey book from The Fall of Wolsey and complete activities in the book. Historians should use this time to write up their NEA

History: Year 13: Use guides for exam revision and complete tasks from *The Early Tudors* book. Historians should use this time to begin their revision for the summer exams using revision guides and text books

DT: Textiles: All drawing and design work to be completed on Firefly using the individual packs supplied

DT: Product Design: Students should use their text books and link to Firefly where full instructions can be found along with individual project plans and revision materials

Maths: All lesson content and online resources are available on Firefly

English: All online resources and video links are available on Firefly

Science: All resources and lessons/tasks are available on Firefly, including links to additional resource websites

Polish: Students should continue with revision material on Firefly

Business: All resources are available on Firefly with tasks that need to be completed

A reminder of how to access Firefly can be found [here](#).

Yours sincerely,



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