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Update - 25/3/2020

Dear Parents and Carers

A short update to you all this evening!

I am very pleased to see that matters with Firefly seem to have resolved themselves, although I am sure we are not entirely out of the woods with the range of technical challenges that face such an extensive undertaking in our virtual learning provision.

As we approach the end of the Lent Term, and our first week of virtual learning, we not only start to look forward to an Easter break but we also want to start reviewing the arrangements for educating our pupils remotely, so that we can begin planning for any changes across Easter, and in advance of Trinity Term. I will be doing a video broadcast to the children at the end of this week, requesting their feedback, but we are also interested to hear from you, as parents. Please could I ask that all feedback is sent to your child's Head of Year (Senior School) and Section Head (Junior School) by 1700 on Friday of this week? We are keeping the feedback particularly and deliberately broad, and so I would ask that you structure it around our school feedback policy and submit your WWWs (what went well) and EBIs (Even Better If). This will then help us in reviewing the process thus far and planning for how it might be improved, moving forwards.

Across the course of the next two days we will begin to start sending more detailed end-of-term communication through the pastoral teams and other senior staff. On Friday, I will send you an end-of-term letter as usual (which doesn't solely focus on coronavirus!), as well as a virtual message to the children. The Chairman of Governors will also be writing a letter to you, given the exceptional circumstances in which we find ourselves.

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Yours sincerely

Mr N P Hewlett Headmaster