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Dear Parent/Carer

Provision of After School Activities

I gave advance notice in Friday's newsletter that we were carefully considering the vague guidance issued to schools and colleges regarding the provision of after college sessions within the lockdown period. There has been a wide range of interpretation offered from subject advisory bodies and teaching unions, but nothing has categorically given us the assurances we sought. The key issue here is liability and risk. While we consider the risk of infection to be very small within bubbles (as all after school sessions have been running), the question of liability under these new lockdown rules remains unclear from the government.

Therefore, we have decided that with effect from tomorrow morning, all after college sessions will be suspended until such time as we can be sure that we are permitted to reinstate them. This suspension covers all sports sessions, art, music and drama sessions and all subject specific intervention and catch up sessions. Where activities can be delivered after college via teams we will look to support these to continue, but this is likely to be a greatly reduced provision and specific guidance will be shared by staff able to deliver such activities remotely.

Yours faithfully

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