Dear Parents/Carers,

Following much deliberation and taking into consideration our current staff shortages and an expected increase in staff absence, we have made the difficult decision to close the school from tomorrow (18th March) for all year groups <u>apart</u> from Year 11 and Year 13. We currently cannot predict how long this will be for, or rule out the possibility that full closure will follow imminently.

Tomorrow – Year 11 have Core PE period 5 so we will allow them to leave at 1.20pm.

We would also like to offer supervision for students of healthcare professionals if it is required for childcare purposes. Whilst there will be no formal lessons for this group, we can accommodate and supervise them in the school library. Please email schoolclosure@olcc.lancs.sch.uk if you wish your child to come into school.

If your child receives free school meals we can still currently make this available at lunchtime (1.20pm). To ensure there is as little food wastage as possible please email schoolclosure@olcc.lancs.sch.uk by 8.00am tomorrow to let us know if this is required.

Any queries please send them to schoolclosure@olcc.lancs.sch.uk and we will endeavour to reply as soon as possible, I am sure you will understand that our staff team is significantly depleted, including support staff.

We will try and keep communication as regular as possible over the next few days as we move forward through these unprecedented and uncertain times.

I will keep all our students, their families and our staff in my prayers.

Thank you for your support,

Mrs H Seddon Headteacher