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Diocese of Norwich Education and Academies Trust

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Dear Parent/Carer

Closure of school due to unsafe staffing levels

You will of course be aware of the immense pressure that Coronavirus is putting us all under. Most recent government guidance, issued yesterday makes it clear that vulnerable groups with specific health conditions should be socially distancing themselves and not be at work. In addition, guidance was given for families to self-isolate where one member exhibits symptoms.

As a result of this guidance we can no longer provide safe staffing levels at Open Academy, which will be shut from tomorrow until such a time as it is safe to re-open. We have made this decision with the Academy staff, and it is one that has been taken first and foremost with the safety of students in mind. We are sorry for this and understand that this will mean an additional burden for you at this difficult time.

The Academy will still provide home learning for students during closure. Information has been provided in the attached booklet.

The Academy will seek to contact you when they are able to re-open in the usual way via email. Updates will be sent via email, through Facebook and the Academy website.

Yours faithfully

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