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Dear Parent/Guardian

I am very sorry to have to write to you today to inform you that our levels of staff illness continue to be very challenging at present. We know this is affecting many schools around the country and, indeed, is having an impact on other sectors. The number of supply teachers who are available is extremely limited and I wish to thank our retired colleagues who have come back to BGN to support us through this very difficult time.

I wish to remind you that the wearing of face coverings and additional hand hygiene can help to prevent the spread of illness in school and we do have surgical face masks available should your child wish to wear one. We will try to avoid any partial closures for students this week but, unfortunately, at this point we cannot rule this out.

Today we have issued a study pass to all our Year 12 students so they can use today to revise for their forthcoming mock exams. Students have been given the option of working from home but, of course, any students who need to work in the LRC are welcome to do so.

Thank you, once again, for your patience and support. Hopefully the Easter school holidays will act as a circuit break and, with the better weather conditions, matters will improve.

I will keep you updated as the week progresses.

Yours sincerely

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