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Dear Parent/Carer,

As you know we are living in very uncertain times and it is difficult to know what is ahead of us this academic year. With this in mind I wanted to reassure you that the education and welfare of our students is our priority and we are already putting into place plans to cover (we hope) every eventuality.

Please find below an outline of our approach to 'blended learning' which we hope will meet the needs of all our students should they have to work from home for whatever reason.

Classcharts

This is our online learning provision on which students can access and submit class and homework. It takes the form of an app for parents and another for students. All students have been issued with passwords and I enclose letters with a copy of the parent password for you. From today all staff will put their lessons on line. These may take the form of powerpoints with voiceovers, links to Oak Academy, booklets or instructions to students to use Subject Knowledge Organisers or Quizlet to learn.

Students not in school should log onto classcharts every day and complete the work set according to their timetable. The work should then be submitted to staff for feedback.

E Mails

In addition students have a school e mail address which they can use to contact staff should they need help with work. School can be contacted at info@prescotschool.org.uk and emails will be directed to the relevant member of staff.

Subject Knowledge Organisers

All students in years 7-9 have a subject knowledge organiser both at school and at home. This contains all the learning the students need to do in each subject this term. At the front there are suggestions for the best way to learn this knowledge. On each pages there are QR codes so pupils can log onto a programme called quizlet; this will help them learn and has games etc to reinforce the learning. If students are absent they can learn from the SKO when they have the relevant lesson.

Packs of work

We appreciate that not all students can get online or may have to share devices with other children in the family. All students have completed a questionnaire at school so we are aware who needs work packs. If your child is sent home from school and is likely to be off for more than a couple of days, they will receive the following;

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KS3 – A pack containing literacy and numeracy resources, revision guides for English, Maths and Science, an exercise book to work in and stationary. They should already have the SKO at home which will cover other areas.

KS4 - A pack containing literacy and numeracy resources, revision guides for English, Maths and Science, an exercise book to work in and stationary. In case of a longer absence, other subjects will also provide work.

There will be a note from teachers explaining which sections are to be covered. Please work on paper and keep the books at home in case of further absences.

Students should follow their normal timetable as closely as possible and use any other time to improve literacy and numeracy skills.

Please don't hesitate to contact me at school should you have any questions about 'blended learning'. My email address is vfarmery@prescotschool.org.uk

Yours sincerely,

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