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Dear Parent.

Firstly, can I thank you for your support and apologise for any inconvenience. The decision to close the school to students was not taken lightly. However, I had to take into consideration the health and safety implications of being without heating and electricity in large parts of the school buildings.

We have had heating issues over the last couple of weeks in four of the teaching blocks. In order to maintain a comfortable temperature for the staff and students in the teaching rooms effected we had hired in electric heaters. Unfortunately this has taken us above our capacity which yesterday caused electrical issues effecting a number of classrooms across six blocks. The electrical issues are likely to be fixed today. However, we will be unable to use the heaters to compensate for the lack of central heating as this would cause the same issue to reoccur.

Contractors have been on site since lunchtime yesterday and have started the repairs to the central heating which involves replacing all the underground pipes that run between the four teaching blocks. As you can appreciate this is quite an undertaking. They are going to work through the weekend but the work will not be completed until Monday.

This means that the school will have to remain closed to students on Monday 26th November. In order not to lose any more learning time than is absolutely necessary we are going to use the time for staff training meaning that the January INSET day is cancelled and students will return to school on Monday 7th January instead of Tuesday 8th January 2019.

Year 11 students will sit their English Literature and mathematics mock examinations on Tuesday 27th November so please encourage them to use the additional time and the materials provided by staff to revise for these examinations.

Once again I apologise for any inconvenience that this has caused.

Yours sincerely,

Mr P Rimmer Headteacher

















