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Dear Parent / Carer,

Message from Mark Wilson, CEO Wellspring Academy Trust

We are in the midst of a national emergency. Our primary duty is to support and protect one another. We seek to do exactly this in all our advice and guidance to you.

The strong advice from NHS England is to stay at home. If you can stay at home: You should. If you can keep your loved ones at home: You should. Below, we will set out our arrangements where there are exceptions to this principle as identified by the Secretary of State for Education.

Any on-site provision at school necessarily assumes that there is a workforce present to staff it. Health & Safety is and will remain our paramount concern – that of any young people in our care and of our staff. School staff stand at the frontline of this national effort. I urge you to show your respect for these very special efforts in these most challenging of circumstances. You can help our schools enormously throughout this period by:

- Abiding by their decision-making
- Refraining from contacting with questions and queries during the school day
- Keeping your child safe at home

It is our aim to maintain a learning provision for everyone. Our staff have been busily training and preparing to provide online learning. Our planning is aimed at providing the maximum possible for you child that staff availability permits for the duration of these unique circumstances.

Our Arrangements for: Phoenix Park and Sevenhills Academy

Online Learning: Monday - Friday 10am - 2pm and daily safeguarding/welfare calls

Schools are closed to all – any key workers with critical last resort circumstances should contact their referring school or the Local Authority if they wish to risk sending their child to school.

My sincere best wishes for your continued good health and that of your loved ones,

Mark Wilson

Chief Executive Officer Wellspring Academy Trust

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