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Dear Parents/Carers

It is with great sadness that we have to send Year 11 home for the final time at the end of today (Thursday 19th March 2020).

As you are probably aware, from Monday 23rd March 2020 until further notice, all schools will be closed to all but the children of key workers and vulnerable pupils. **In addition, the government has announced that schools will not be going ahead with exams this summer.**

The full statement from Education Secretary Gavin Williamson is available here:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/schools-colleges-and-early-years-settings-to-close>

The government reassures us that they will “ensure children get the qualifications they need” but, at this stage, no school has any knowledge of how this will happen.

In the meantime, please urge your child to keep their notes and revision materials safe should they be required in future. They can continue their studies using the Year 11 Working At Home section of our website:
<http://barrbeaconschool.co.uk/working-at-home/>

This situation is completely unprecedented. When we know more about how your child will be assessed for their qualifications we will be in contact.

Similarly, as soon as we know how this will affect their progression to sixth form, colleges and apprenticeships we will be letting you know.

We know many pupils have already made plans for prom. We have made no decision about prom yet. It may be that we go ahead if the government advice changes regarding staying at home, or we may postpone it to a date later in the year.

It is a real shame that Year 11 has had to be cut short, especially as it is an opportunity to celebrate. However, we are intending to invite pupils back for a special event as soon as the government allow us to do so.

As always, I thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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