



COLLEGE NEWS

13th March 2020

College spent a considerable part of their meeting on Thursday 12th March looking at contingency plans for the possible effects of Coronavirus. The Government is issuing clear advice to individuals, but schools, like all organisations, must make their own preparations so that they can continue to operate if circumstances change.

College confirmed that a number of measures in the Business Continuity Plan will be implemented if necessary, including combining Classes/Groups if staff numbers are significantly reduced. It is likely that there would also be changes to the normal timetable.

Some activities may be postponed or cancelled, including overseas trips where this has been advised, and College has already taken the decision to cancel some trips. Upper School pupils and exam students will be able to continue to work with their teachers through Virtual Learning Environments (preparations for which are already at an advanced stage, for example, for Class 9), email or other forms of distance learning.

There is currently no change to either the prelim schedule or the final exam schedule and no plans to alter these timetables in any way. The Chair of College met with the Student Council on Friday 13th to brief them personally and answer questions.

Sincerely,

Alistair Pugh

Edinburgh Steiner School Chair of College