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Dear Parents and Carers

We find ourselves in unprecedented times. As you are aware, events in response to the COVID-19 outbreak change daily. Each day over the past week I have set out to write you a letter informing you of our response to events, only to find that my letter is out-dated before I can even send it.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support to-date. Student and staff attendance has continued to be good over the past 10 days. Education at Elutec has continued as normal, with a calm, orderly atmosphere around the school. Students in year 11 and year 13 have worked particularly hard over the past two/three weeks completing their final mock exams, and listening intently to teacher feedback during lessons on how to further improve their grades.

I am pleased to be able to send you the MA4 Interim Report outlining year 11 and year 13 mock exam and predicted end of course grades. The government has not yet clarified how students will receive their BTEC, GCSE and A' Level qualifications, however, it is clear that there is a commitment to ensuring that students do achieve these important qualifications.

I have also attached, for the benefit of all parents, an outline of the work that has been sent home with students to complete during school and college closures. The attached outline also includes subject teachers email address. All students have been placed in an electronic subject group to receive further work and/or to simply keep in touch with their subject teacher.

You will be aware that the government has required all schools to make provision for vulnerable students and those with parents who are key workers. Elutec has a very small number of these students. Elutec will be open on Monday 23rd March for these students. Thereafter, it is likely that the school will be closed and the provision provided locally. Students entitled to Free School Meals will be provided with a voucher/card to purchase lunch each day from a large supermarket chain.

The government have given no indication of when schools and colleges will re-open. As soon as we have this information, or any other information that it relevant to our students and parents, we will place this on the Elutec website. Please check the website regularly for any updates.

Finally, I would like to remind you of the importance of reading for all young people. Please encourage your son/daughter to read each day.

If you need to contact the school, please use the email address below: Principal@elutec.co.uk

Yours sincerely

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Principal Elutec