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Dear Year 11 Students

27th March 2020

COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS UPDATE

We appreciate the stress and anxiety which last week's announcement regarding school closures and the cancellation of the GCSE examinations must have caused you. We just want to reassure you that we are with you every step of the way as you move onto your post 16 courses, apprenticeships or jobs.

We have been in contact with all the local Post-16 providers who have asked us to reassure you they are still able to process applications and will be in contact with you directly in due course.

Please note the important information from Post-16 providers below:

West Lancashire College

West Lancashire College have put together further information to reassure students who are currently in Year 11. This includes those students who may not have yet applied or who have changed their mind, it is not too late to apply to college and they will still be processing applications and dealing with any queries or questions they may have.

They have also included information on Career Coach, which is available to applicants through their website and can help you explore careers that match your strengths. It also helps you link your college programme to your future career and help prepare you for future success.

Career Coach Link <https://westlancs.emsicc.com>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email on admissions@westlancs.ac.uk

Winstanley College

Winstanley College will guarantee places to everyone who has attended an interview. You simply need to reserve your place by emailing admissions@winstanley.ac.uk by Friday 1st May 2020 to confirm they are your choice of college. Unfortunately, they cannot guarantee they will have room for anyone who confirms later than this date.

They can remain flexible about your actual course choices and will not ask you to confirm them until they can talk to you in person.





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Winstanley College have also posted some 'Bridging Materials for year 11 students' online. These can be found at <http://www.winstanley.ac.uk/y11-subject-guides/>

Runshaw College

<https://www.runshaw.ac.uk/>

Runshaw College have just completed the creation of a '**landing**' page on their website for Year 11 students which has advice on it and will be regularly updated with subject specific materials. Their advice is to try to visit the website link at least once a week:

<https://www.runshaw.ac.uk/the-college/year-11s-your-place-is-safe/>. They also request that you check your emails regularly for changes, updates and advice regarding your application.

Wigan & Leigh College

College Principal, Anna Dawe has reassured school leavers that their place at Wigan & Leigh College is secure. They have issued a full update on their website:

<https://www.wigan-leigh.ac.uk/about/coronavirus-update/applicants>

Hutton Grammar School Sixth Form College

<https://www.huttongrammar.org/sixth-form/> or contact j.hill1@huttongrammar.org

Hutton Grammar School Sixth Form are still accepting applications and they will interview those that have not been interviewed yet by telephone over the next few days. They will then send out offers to applicants at the end of April. During May they will send out information about starting the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) followed by a HeadStart pack for each A level subject.

Hutton then intend to have enrolment days when GCSE results have been distributed. If students have any queries, please contact Mr Hill (Head of Sixth Form) on the above email.

Southport College / KGV 6th Form College

<https://www.southport.ac.uk/> or <https://www.kgv.ac.uk/>

Southport College want to encourage students who have not already applied yet to do so, especially those students who are relying on apprenticeships. Their applications process has slightly changed, but it is still functioning.

In terms of coronavirus updates, Southport College's Principal has written a letter which can be found on both colleges' websites. This is where they are directing students and parents/guardians if they have any questions. This will also be the main place to find any updated information as it becomes available.





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Both colleges (Southport and KGV) are still accepting applications from students and would encourage anyone who hasn't yet applied to submit one as soon as possible.

St John Rigby College

<http://sjr.ac.uk/>

St John Rigby College have produced subject guides for each of their Advanced Level and BTEC courses. These guides will help you to prepare for the subjects that you will be following at St John Rigby College as well as providing you with some meaningful work to complete whilst schools remain closed.

All resources are live on their website and all students can access them from the homepage. If students have not applied, we advise you to apply through the normal application form on their website as they will be looking at conducting telephone interviews.

If you need to contact the College with any query regarding an application, please use the following email address: newstudents@sjr.ac.uk

Myerscough College

<https://www.myerscough.ac.uk/>

Myerscough College has offered reassurance for students who have either applied, or are thinking of applying for a place on a study programme starting in September.

Further details are available on <https://www.myerscough.ac.uk/news/students-reassured-over-2020-places/>

Alternatively, they have a website LiveChat function which remains active and staffed. If you have any questions, please use this to contact the college. Similarly, please try to email enquiries@myerscough.ac.uk

Hugh Baird College

Hugh Baird College are still accepting applications for September 2020 entry. You can apply via their website. <https://www.hughbaird.ac.uk/apply> and then you will be given a date for a telephone interview with a tutor.

For information on an application you have made to join the College in September 2020, please get in touch with their Admissions team. Please email: admissions@hughbaird.ac.uk

Finally, all your teachers at Burscough Priory Academy know that you will be anxious about what lies ahead. Please be reassured that your House Progress Leaders, Tutors and class teachers want



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you to have a suitable pathway after Year 11 and that we are looking forward to seeing the Class of 2020 off in style with a Valedictory Evening.

Please continue to complete your practice exam papers and keep them safe ready to be returned to school when you are asked to. Remember the current advice from the government is that you may be able to sit some exams as soon as reasonably possible when schools and colleges reopen or in the summer of 2021.

In the meantime, stay positive and continue to look at what you can do to prepare yourself for your next step. Ensure you visit the college's websites regularly as these are the best ways you can feel that you are more in control of your next steps. Equally, the following website www.informedchoices.ac.uk will also assist you if you are thinking ahead in terms of University choices and the next steps you need to take in order to decide on a degree subject.

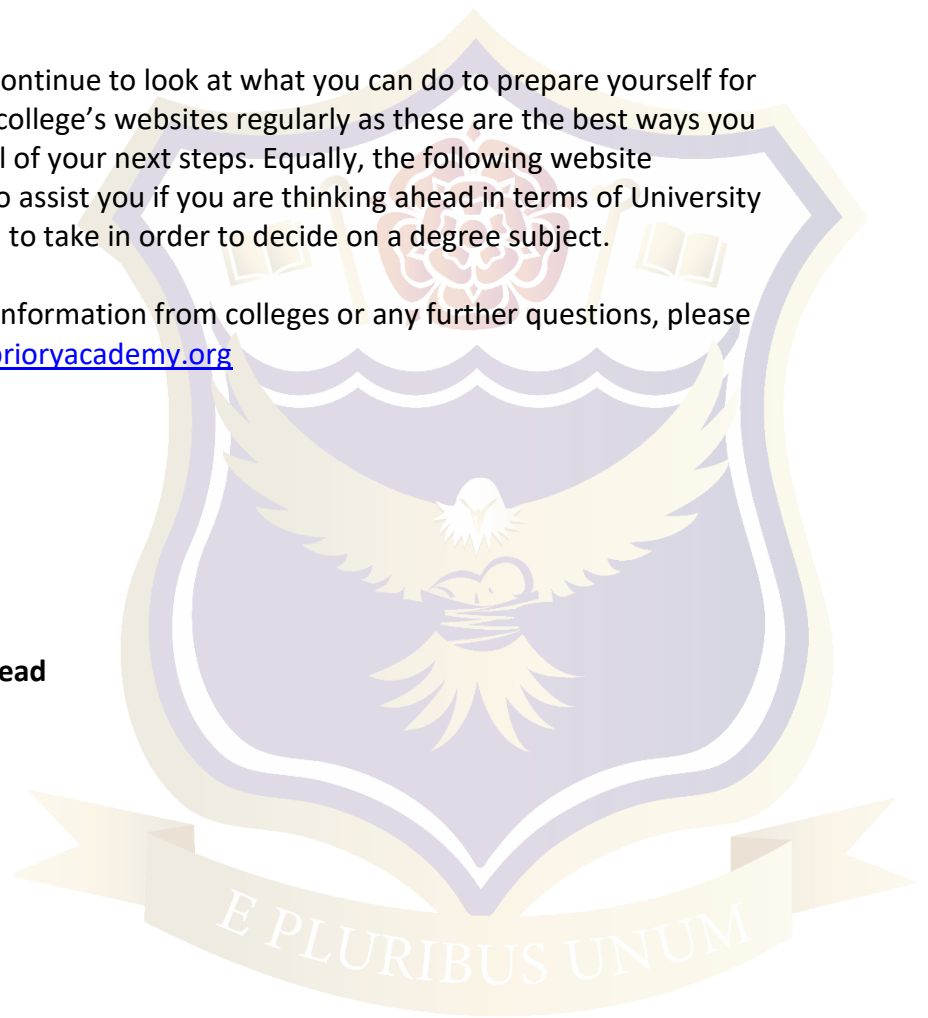
If you have any concerns about the information from colleges or any further questions, please contact me on kcollins@burscoughprioryacademy.org

Stay safe.

Yours sincerely,

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