

# ABBOT'S LEA SCHOOL

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For the attention of:

## Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5

Dear Students,

### Ref: Leavers' Farewell

I write to you today to inform you that, sadly, due to Coronavirus, we will be unable to hold the Leavers' Farewell on our school site. We have calculated the numbers expected and have concluded that the risks are too high for us to accept. Your own, your friends, families and the staff' safety has got to come first.

That said, we do want to get together before the end of the year to say goodbye to those students who are leaving us this year and also create an option for some of you to be able to come to visit the school site before the summer, if this would help you make a transition to your next destination.

We will hold a Zoom Leavers' Farewell session on Friday, 17 July 2020. This will take place from 9:00am until 9:30am and will be open to all Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5 students, including Supported Interns. All staff will also be invited as many would love to say goodbye. Details will be sent to you on 16 July 2020.

Additionally, if you would like to visit the school site to take a commemorative photo and say "goodbye" to the school, you will be able to make a brief 15-minute appointment that day, between the hours of 10am and 1pm. To do so, please contact Ms Adair, on [kim.adair@abbotsleaschool.co.uk](mailto:kim.adair@abbotsleaschool.co.uk) – she will be able to then make an appointment for you. You will be greeted by Miss Dallas, Mr. Mason and Miss Caddick and, I too will be very glad to see you to say goodbye. It is sadly not possible for me to guarantee that the staff who taught you would be available to meet you on site that day, as many are shielding at home at this time.

It goes without saying that, even though you are moving on, the Class of 2020 will stay in our memory forever and, just like others before you, you will always be welcomed back as our Alumni in the years to come. I wish you all the best for the future and have full confidence in you, your abilities and your talents. I cannot wait to hear about your adult lives, so please do make sure you stay in touch! For others returning to school in September, it will be lovely to see you on the Zoom call on the 17 July 2020 and then again in the new school year.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Hildrey  
Headteacher