St. Katherine's School

Amplify Education

20 November 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are deeply frustrated that we had to make a decision to close the school today following a burst water main, which resulted in a significant loss of water pressure across the town. The school had no water this morning. Without a reliable water supply, we are unable to operate the school safely.

I fully appreciate the disruption and disappointment this causes for students, families and staff. The loss of a school day is frustrating for everyone, particularly our Year 11 students whose mock examinations have been disrupted, as well as the impact on learning across all year groups.

Whilst today is a lost day of face to face teaching, I would encourage students to use the time as an opportunity to consolidate their learning. Where possible, students should follow any instructions or activities set by their teachers on Google Classroom. If they are unable to access this, they should use the time to review their exercise books, revisit key topics and strengthen their understanding of recent learning.

We will communicate separately with Year 11 students regarding arrangements for the disrupted mock examinations.

Thank you for your understanding and support. I share your frustration at the circumstances, but I would encourage all students to make the best use of the day and keep their learning moving forward.

Best wishes,



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