

Monday 12th June 2023

Dear Parent / Carer

Continued disruption due to loss of fire alarm system

I am very sorry to say that Paulet High School will be closed to students in Years 7 to 10 and 12 once again tomorrow (Tuesday). Students who are sitting exams must come to school to sit their exams as we have put in place a dynamic risk assessment to ensure their safety during the exams.

Students should login to Go4Schools and their emails and follow their day (lessons) remotely. Some teachers will do live lessons and all teachers will monitor emails and respond in real time.

I have taken this decision to enable us to devise a manual fire alert system and test it before the students return, hopefully, on Wednesday. This manual system will take some planning due to the size and complex nature of our site. Once I am happy that the system is fit for purpose, I will contact you again to confirm that we will reopen on Wednesday.

To give you some context of what has happened. It appears that there was a lightning strike last night which has caused damage to our fire alarm system. Engineers have visited today and diagnosed that the power packs have been damaged beyond repair and need replacing. Once new power packs are in place, the engineers will be able to ascertain any further damage. We don't yet know if the components we need are readily available or need to be ordered with potentially a lengthy lead time. At present, I know no more than that.

If your child is entitled to a free school meal, he/she can walk up to school at 1pm to collect a packed lunch put together by the canteen staff.

I will write to you again tomorrow to confirm re-opening and to outline the manual fire alert system that we will adopt until repairs have been successfully carried out.

I know that, once back at school, our students will rise to the challenge of a different way of working, demonstrating Paulet Character as always!

Kind regards,



Ian McArthur
Headteacher.
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