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**MERCHANT
TAYLORS'
SCHOOLS**

For Boys and Girls
aged 4 to 18 years

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Dear Parent(s), Guardian(s),

Swimming Pool Closure

On 18th January 2019, we wrote to the parents and users of our swimming pool informing them of a temporary closure of the pool to undertake essential repair work, which would last up to 3 weeks.

Regrettably, it has been identified in the early stages of the repairs, that the extent of work required to place the swimming pool back into full operation, is far more extensive than previously foreseen. The Board of Governors and Executive Team concluded that given the age of the swimming pool (now 41 years old) that it would not be in the school's best interests to fund costly repairs. A proposal has therefore been made to close the swimming pool indefinitely.

The Board of Governors and Executive Team fully appreciate the impact this proposal will have, not just to pupils of the school, but the much broader community who have used the facilities at the school for many years and as such are committed to building a new facility. The School will now require a period of time to consider the wider implications of this proposal, to seek alternative provision and shall enter a period of consultation with employees who may be affected by the proposal. Once this has been completed, we will issue a further update with the proposed plans.

Yours faithfully,

Lynn Hill