



Dear Parents/Carers,

As we come to the end of the half term I wanted to write and thank you for all the work you are doing at home to support your child's education. We appreciate working from home is not always easy and we are expanding the techniques we use to support students. Some subjects have trialled online live lessons or live question and answer sessions. Other teachers have recorded lessons or added an audio commentary to presentations and we will soon be offering live online assemblies for each year group which we hope everyone can attend. Where computer access is difficult we are regularly sending packs of work home. In this highly unusual situation we are constantly evaluating our approach and welcome your feedback.

The school remains open for children of key workers and those with specific vulnerabilities; please contact us if your child requires a place. Each fortnight tutors message their tutees to check how they are doing; any child who tells us they are struggling then receives a telephone call so we can provide support. Please encourage your child to respond to these messages as a prompt answer allows us to quickly reach out to those needing support.

At this moment there are no firm timelines on when secondary schools will reopen to more students. We are following Government advice and currently await the next set of guidance from the Department of Education. We will write to you again once we know more.

Once again thank you for all you are doing, I hope you have a restful weekend and enjoy the half term break.

Your sincerely,



Mr N. K. Willingham
Headteacher