



April 20th 2020.

Dear Parents/Carers and students of The Beech Academy,

I trust and hope that during these unprecedented times, you are all managing to keep safe and, in support of the national effort are continuing to follow the Government guidelines to "Stay at home, protect the NHS and save lives".

I wanted to write to you today with some short updates and to offer an understanding and appreciation of how difficult to manage the ongoing situation is, for all of you, families and students alike. We all look forward enormously to the time when some normality returns to our daily lives but in the meantime, we must continue to play our part in the effort, however small that may seem. I would also like to personally thank each of you, our parents, carers and especially our students for the immense resilience and strength of character that has been demonstrated since the beginning of the current crisis. I am so proud of the students, and your understanding and support as parents/carers throughout the last 4 ½ weeks has been unwavering.

Can I also reassure you that our teachers and support staff continue to work daily to provide support through creating a range of resources for students to access in order that they can remain focused and importantly, maintain a routine. Over Easter, staff have been working on Year Group specific, weekly projects (that look very exciting) and these will be ready for students to access from Tuesday 21st April 2020. We have also added a "Suggested Daily Timetable" to the Covid 19 Home Learning Page to support parents & carers with maintaining routines, something that proves critically important for many of our learners.

Please use the link below to access all resources on The Beech Academy website.

https://www.beech.evolutrust.org/our_academy/covid-19_home_learning/

Furthermore, today the Government has launched the online "Oak National Academy" which contains a range of, easy to access resources that are regularly updated.

<https://www.thenational.academy/>

As time progresses and, hopefully we draw nearer to the end of the current restrictions and normality resuming, I will endeavour to keep you updated with any relevant information etc. I hope that you all have found the weekly contact with key staff reassuring, this will continue for the duration of the crisis, until we return to school. Most of all, I hope that you all continue to stay healthy and keep safe in the days and weeks ahead.

Please ensure that if you have any ongoing concerns, queries or need support in any way, do not hesitate to contact the school via phone (01623 626008) or by email BOffice@beech.evolutrust.org

Stay safe and speak soon.

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