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Dear Parents, Carers and Students

Return to Remote Learning

Following the announcement from the government yesterday of a further three weeks of 'lock down', I write to confirm a welcome back to our parents, carers and students to The Hart School's remote learning platform.

Staff in the school have now uploaded a further two weeks' work for all year groups, which follows on directly from the school work set prior to the Easter break. Further work is now being set for the third week.

Students should follow the exact same process of logging in to their work.

As a reminder, students are expected to follow the timetable which has been set for them. This is not their normal school timetable, but nonetheless provides the expected number of hours of learning required.

Again, form tutors will be in contact with their tutees during the week to make sure that they are able to learn effectively and to support wherever it is needed. I would be grateful if parents/carers helped the school by ensuring your child regularly checks their school email account, so that we know they are both safe and learning. Where communication via email is proving difficult, the school will still make every effort to make contact.

We are all aware of the loss of learning time, structure and routine for every student in the school and the potential detriment to your child's progress and achievement. It is therefore really important for your child to continue with their work throughout the next three weeks. If you have any questions, please contact your child's tutor. Alternatively, there will always be a senior member of staff available during the school day.

Over the last few weeks The Hart School has remained open for a small number of students. This has gone well and I would particularly like to thank all those staff who have given of their own time to support them. We look forward to welcoming those students from Monday 20 April.

And finally, we have all been overwhelmed by the invaluable support given by the school in providing face visors for frontline workers. We have provided over 4,000 and the number is rising!



I cannot thank enough the staff involved in this and the entire community of Rugeley, who too have helped, supported and recognised the school's efforts, including the Rugeley Lions, who donated so generously to our funding page. To date, we have raised over £7,000.

Our story has captured the hearts of many, none more so the local media, including the BBC local news, where we were given the opportunity to share the work we were doing. One post has been seen by over 150,000 people! All this coverage will go out on The Hart School's social media platform.

This current situation has created definite hidden benefits and as I said in my Easter letter, the school and community have come together in a way we never would have expected.

Thank you, as ever, for your continuing support.

Yours sincerely

Mr C Keen
Principal