



The Sutton Academy

Together Students Achieve

Principal: Mrs Alison Sherman

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Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to thank you for your ongoing support during these unprecedented times. It is clearly a very challenging time for the whole community, the country and indeed worldwide.

As you know almost all of our teaching and resources have moved online and it is clear that working in this way has required a period of familiarisation with new processes and ways of working. As the period of working from home has continued, it has been pleasing to see the students adapting their learning and study and submitting work to their teachers. I fully appreciate there have been hurdles to overcome and undoubtedly more going forward so thank you again for your ongoing support. As a result of this support we are seeing some high quality work from students and teachers are reporting increased levels of engagement and submission of work. I have seen first class examples of student work from across the curriculum and individuals should be congratulated for that.

In addition to encouraging students to complete all work set, I would encourage students to engage with our optional activities. The well-being of all the young people and their families remains at the forefront of our minds and you may be aware that some families have been receiving phone calls from academy staff in recent weeks and we will continue to do this over the next few weeks.

There continues to be a lot of discussion in the media about when schools might re-open, in what form and for which year groups. It goes without saying that we all want to see schools safely open as soon as possible, both for the sake of the education of young people and for the wider economy. However, although it is tempting, I do not think it would be very helpful for me to speculate on this for the time being; we are planning for various scenarios, but just do not know enough to make any concrete plans yet. Please be assured that we will let you know as soon as we do have any news and that we will be doing all we can to ensure school is safe for everyone when we do re-open.

In the meantime, please continue to support your children as best as you possibly can, communicate any concerns to us, and follow all of the academy's social media platforms for regular updates from staff, and the academy.

I will look forward to updating you again shortly.

Best wishes and the very best of health.



A M Sherman
Principal

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