

Hayle Academy

15th May 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you are keeping well and are adapting to the new ways of working and living. We are now several weeks into our updated and improved home learning curriculum and I hope this is running smoothly in your household.

We have all heard the Prime Minister's update on the lockdown and I do hope you have seen the subsequent letter from Mrs Woodhouse. Now that we can be sure that most students will not be in school for until September at the earliest, we are again reviewing our home learning curriculum. The first part of this process is the survey on home learning that has already been sent out to all parents. The deadline is midday on Monday 18th May. Please do take the time to complete this as it will inform our future plans. I am sending a separate letter to parents of Y10 students, seeking their views on our plans to have some on site learning for that year group this term.

Teachers continue to be very impressed by students' responses to home learning. Merits are being awarded for excellent home learning and we have sent out over 70 letters to students commending them on the good work. In addition to the ongoing feedback your child is receiving from their teachers, we will be sending out reports on all Year 7-10 students before the end of term. Please continue to encourage your child to submit work via Show my Homework.

Mrs Halsey has placed the order for Free School Meal vouchers to cover the period up to the week of 1st June, including a voucher for the half term week. Parents will therefore be able to download their gift cards for these weeks all in on go. The gift cards remain valid for one year. If you have any questions here, please do contact kathy.halsey@hayleacademy.net After half term vouchers will be issued for four weeks at a time. This will save parents having to visit the redemption website so frequently.

We are finalising option choices for next year's Year 8 and Year 9 currently. If you have any questions or wish to make any last minute changes to your child's choice of option, please contact kate.jones@hayleacademy.net.

The school remains open for the children of key workers and vulnerable students. This provision will be maintained through the half term holiday. Please only request this provision if absolutely necessary as even one child in school requires a significant number of staff to manage the key duties of opening school and running the site and therefore comes with an inevitable level of risk of infection.



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If you have any queries about booking a place for your child, please contact sally.truscott@hayleacademy.net.

To give everyone – students, teachers and parents – a break we will not be setting work for students during the half term week.

Mrs Sally Truscott is our safeguarding lead and she can be contacted at sally.truscott@hayleacademy.net if you have any safeguarding concerns about a child. If you are concerned about your child's mental health then please email the tutor or Pastoral Lead, Mr Wyatt for Years 7 and 8 and Mrs Parker for Years 9 and 10. You may also find the following websites useful for support: youngminds.org.uk kooth.com. your-way.org.uk

As ever, and particularly during this difficult time, we really value the support and input of parents and welcome any views you may have at any time.

Best wishes to you all.

D. Mather
Head of School