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Dear Parent/Carer,

Principal: Mrs N Walker

I wanted to make contact with you once again following the Prime Minister's announcement on 27th January in relation to the re-opening of schools nationwide. In his address, Boris Johnson, stated the following:

'It is sensible to now serve notice that we will not be able to re-open schools immediately after half term on the 22nd February.

'But if we continue to make the progress that we want to see, and that we believe we can see, then we hope to begin opening schools on Monday 8th March'

I am incredibly disappointed to not be able to welcome our pupils back to the Academy following our February Half term break, as are my Academy colleagues, but it is clear that we need to continue to work in line with the guidance issued by the Government at this time. When we have further information and confirmation of when we are able to safely re-open the Academy to our pupils, I will of course, communicate this with all parents.

Despite the frustrations that I am sure are felt by colleagues, parents and pupils alike, I wanted to take another opportunity to thank both our parents/carers and pupils for their continued outstanding efforts with remote learning. On a daily basis, I receive reports from colleagues that let me know how hard many of our pupils are trying in their lessons and learning. I cannot thank you enough for the ongoing support you are providing from home, despite the difficulties I am sure you are facing yourselves. We are proud of our pupils and what they have achieved during this further lockdown and we hope that many of you share our sentiments. I would urge our pupils to 'keep going- they are doing a great job!'

As we look ahead to the coming weeks of remote learning I can confirm that we will continue to work to provide the best remote education we possibly can via our live lesson format. In addition to this, I hope you are also able to benefit from some of the other things we have in place, including:

- Our Weekly Live Year Group Parent Conferences with members of our Senior Leadership Team
- Our regular celebrations of learning through our MCAS 'Above and Beyond' messaging service
- Our Social Media Subject Spotlight updates that are designed to provide top learning tips for our pupils.
- Access to other support your child may require that is specific to their needs.

Thank you once again, I hope that all of our pupils and their families remain safe and well during these on-going difficult times.

Best wishes,

Mrs N Walker
Principal



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