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**Update for Parents: 17/4/2020**

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We have now reached the end of the Easter break. I hope you have been able to enjoy some kind of rest with your family in the nice weather. I am pleased to report that staff at Childwall Sports and Science Academy have continued in their commitment to support our children over this holiday period. I cannot thank them enough for their efforts.

As you will be aware we have all been instructed by the government to stay at home for at least another three weeks. With this in mind, it is now time for us to get ready to organise a good daily learning routine for the second phase of the national lockdown.

School will remain open to our vulnerable students and to those who have Key Worker parents. Our reception is open every weekday from 8.15am to 3.15pm. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any concerns or queries. We are here to help.

**Home Learning from Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020:**

Over the past two weeks leaders at the school have taken the time to analyse the use of our remote learning facilities. The data and some of the wonderful work that has been shared with staff demonstrates that many students are utilising our resources well. If this is your child, please pass on my thanks and accept our gratitude for ensuring that learning has not stopped since the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March. Valuing the importance of education and continued learning during difficult times will reward students later in life.

If you are aware that your child has not accessed our learning platforms, please ensure that they do so from now on. It is important that parents are as involved as they can be in the home school environment, as this will most definitely help your child to engage and make better progress. Please be aware that leaders at the school will be contacting all students, and their parents, who have not accessed their learning opportunities since the start of lockdown. We would like to work with you and explore whether there are any barriers that are making this more difficult than it needs to be. I thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

**Routine:**

From Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April we intend to add more structure to your child's day by introducing some regular features that should help all students to get up, exercise, do something nice and have some fun. In addition to the remote learning that is accessible from all subject areas.

- Just before 9am each morning I will release a brief Headteachers memo for the day
- At 9am. Mr Ward will send out his 5 minute challenge. We hope you will all join in and capture attempts at these challenges. Share with myself or Mr Ward, so that we can share with others.

- We then ask students to refer to the Pastoral Support/Wellbeing Plan that Mr Ward will re-issue on Monday. This plan has a 'Feel good activity,' a thought for the day and a suggested 15-minute exercise routine for us all to try.
- Everyone is expected to engage in learning from different subject areas for at least 2/3 hours a day. Ms. Kaye will be issuing further guidance to students about this on Monday. Expectations will be made clear for children within the different key stages of the school.
- \*Please note that it is important to have a clear start and end time to the home learning day. Breaks must be scheduled into the day too, so that we allow our brains to process the learning so far.

### **Free School Meals Update:**

Once again I must thank the staff who have worked tirelessly to ensure that our families entitled to free school meals are receiving their new government vouchers. The system has been incredibly slow to navigate. However, vouchers should all now have been redeemed either directly by parents or by the school and then posted out to you.

Guidance for the rewarding of GCSE, BTEC and A Level grades in August 2020 can be found on our school website and on Twitter. Please note that results days remain the same as originally planned. Year 12 and Year 13; 13<sup>th</sup> August 2020. Year 11; 20<sup>th</sup> August 2020.

I hope you all have a good week with lots of great achievements. Please share any good news stories if possible.

Stay safe,



Ms Vincent

Headteacher

