

4<sup>th</sup> April 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

**RE: School Closure Update – 4<sup>th</sup> April 2020**

As we approach the end of the second week of remote working, we have once again been impressed by the commitment, dedication and determination of our students. We have been delighted to see lots of excellent work this week and are pleased at how the majority of students have taken these challenging circumstances in their stride. You should have by now received a copy of the Academy's newsletter and we hope you have enjoyed seeing examples of work that students have completed.

**Provision Update**

We have also been very impressed with those students who have still been attending the Academy to benefit from the provision for the children of key workers. We are keen to ensure this support remains in place throughout the Easter holiday. We will speak to those students who this effects directly.

Please note, the Academy will be closed on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> and Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April for the Good Friday and Easter Monday bank holidays.

For students who are working remotely, teachers will not be setting work nor will be readily available to respond to queries over the Easter period; however, the Academy is still contactable using the details below.

**Free School Meals Update**

You may have heard in the media that the Government has now established a national voucher scheme for students in receipt of Free School Meals. This scheme will go 'live' from next week. Eligible parents will receive an eVoucher via email for the value of £15 per week to be spent at a local supermarket. Parents who do not have internet access should contact the finance team and arrange for the voucher to be printed and posted to the home address we have on record for your child. This scheme only covers term time, and as such, we will continue to provide reimbursements via BACS transfer over the Easter holiday. Please direct enquiries to [finance@wmgacademy.org.uk](mailto:finance@wmgacademy.org.uk).

**Ongoing Communication**

Please be reminded that if you need to contact the Academy throughout this period of closure, we recommend doing so by email to [info@wmgacademy.org.uk](mailto:info@wmgacademy.org.uk). Telephone messages will still be routinely monitored, however you will receive a response far sooner via email communications. Please remember that any parental communications are also available on our website by clicking [here](#).

In the meantime, please stay safe and well and continue to look after yourselves and your loved ones.

Yours faithfully,



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