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Dear Parents and Carers

As we start the second week of school closure, I hope you, your family and friends are remaining safe and well. I want to express my thanks to you for keeping your children at home where possible, and for supporting them with distance learning.

Last week I wrote to you asking for details of anyone who would need their child to access school provision over the Easter break. The deadline for this was Friday but we understand that, in the current climate, the situation can change very quickly, so if you do now think you will require this provision, please notify us as soon as possible via info@thedeanacademy.org.

We are awaiting further updates from the government regarding the grading of GCSEs and other qualifications, and you can be assured that we will pass on this information as soon as it is available. In the meantime, please do not ask teachers for predicted grades, they will not be able to share these with you at this time.

You have always been the primary educator in your child's life, and you always will be. You know best when they need to rest and forget about work, and when they can be pushed to do a little more. As your school we do not expect you to be teachers of Languages, Humanities, Science or any other subject. For secondary age children - you need to merely point them to a way to find out for themselves. For so many years we have intensified learning to an art form, and some children seem to have lost their love of learning along the way. Hopefully the next few weeks and months will rekindle their curiosity in education and help to build in this generation a willingness to drive their own learning.

Please continue to use the guidance on our school website for further information, and contact staff via their emails, as published on the website.

Kindest regards

Tom Beveridge
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