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Dear Parents/Carers

We hope that you and your families are safe and well and that you have enjoyed the Easter holidays, managing to rest and enjoy the weather.

Next week, school reopens for children of key workers and we are looking forward to welcoming them back at 8.45 a.m. on Monday morning. Should any last minute provision be required, please email info@thedeacademy.org with your child's name, tutor group and whether they will require transport on the school buses.

Next week we will again start setting work for those students at home via Class Charts and the school will be open for paper copies of work to be collected from 8.45 a.m. – 3.15 p.m. if you have requested it. We have some spare copies should you need them, although we highly recommend students continue to access work online should they be able to. Please inform us via the email address above if you need to discuss work being set.

Year 10 students will notice that staff are now asking for specific pieces of work to be sent back via email or Class Charts. Please support us in ensuring this happens so we can monitor progress and offer further support where necessary. All subjects will be setting some kind of assessment (either written or based on online quizzing) once a fortnight and it is highly important that students complete these. Staff will be monitoring these and may contact you where they have concerns.

Students in Years 7, 8 and 9 should continue to collate work at home either on paper or saved in their personal area on the school system. We will give details of how to submit this work once we know when school will re-open. There will be an assessment in each subject before the May half term.

Parents and students in Year 11 will have been contacted separately regarding the next few weeks and months.

We are incredibly grateful for all that you are doing to support continued learning at home in these exceptional times.

Please continue to look at the school website or Twitter account for regular updates.

Yours sincerely

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