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Dear Parents and Carers

Principal: Hilary Morawska

In these much publicised and apparent unprecedented times, we have created the attached guide with learning resources and ideas for how you can best support your child/ren at home, with their education.

As always, we thank you, as parents and carers for your support for the academy and for our care of our students. We appreciate these are challenging times with government directives, guidance and advice, rapidly changing rendering information redundant soon after publishing.

Indeed, I must now advise that those parents and carers whose child/ren are in receipt of Free School Meals (FSM), due to the enforced restrictions on the tightening of social distancing, the academy will no longer be able to offer the FSM meals service, to students not attending the academy, as we had hoped. Our Trust advisors have stated that the intention is for our academies to utilise the Government Voucher Scheme, however, if these are not readily forthcoming the Trust will seek to create their own. We will update you all as soon as we are aware and thank you for your patience, understanding and forbearance during this most challenging and ever changing times.

However, I would like to reinforce that the commitment and will of our staffing body to support your child/ren, either remotely or within the academy, is unfailing and we urge you to communicate with your child's/ren's class teacher, tutor or member of our leadership team, if you have any concerns.

As always we wish you the best of health.

Kindest regards

Hilary Morawska
Principal

