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END OF TERM, THE CURRENT POSITION AND HOLLYWOOD CONNECTIONS!

Dear Parents and Carers,

Once again I find myself thankful to all our families and the school community for a collective effort during this time. With so much information in the media right now, I wanted to get in touch and explain our position. Please consider that we only become aware of such information when you do. This means we then need to consider it and form constantly evolving plans. Thankfully, the Admin Team, Site Staff, Teachers and LSAs have been outstanding and flexible in responding to these demands. I feel lucky and proud to have such incredible support.

We will take some time to fully digest the guidance and I know that our Multi Academy Trust have assured me they are going to offer continued support. You'll be pleased to know that we have had superb backing from Julian Scholefield our CEO and the Central Team throughout this time. Once we have a plan in place we will be in touch to share it with you. In the meantime, do please keep in touch via the social media pages or using Class Dojo.

Welcoming our new starters in September means we will need time and space for induction. Bringing them in before would be breaking "bubbles" and potentially meant that these children may not have been able to return to their current provision. This is not acceptable for me and so we have decided the last days before breaking up for summer will be;

- Year 10 Monday 13th July
- Year 8 Tuesday 14th July
- Year 9 Wednesday 15th July
- Year 7 Thursday 16th July

This enables us to have small groups of young pupils in for essential transition experience over a few days. We will continue to run Key Club groups until **Friday 24th July** and will be in school should you need us.

It will be wonderful to see new faces, but equally we need to pay a full and proper farewell to our 2020 leavers groups. I will send out a plan for the transition, but I can reveal that we will have a socially distanced celebration picnic for those groups between **12pm and 3pm on Thursday 23rd July**.



I also wanted our community to note that this summer, the incredible Mrs Vasey retires. She has been a consistently dedicated champion of children – if you or your children would like to pass on any messages, I will ensure that she gets them. There will be more to come on celebrating somebody we very much love and respect!

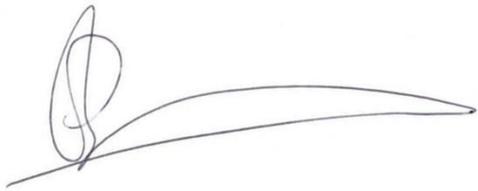
The school has undergone something of a make-over and the staff are working hard to prepare amazing experiences for the students return. We'll share pictures with you ahead of the summer, so that you can see what we are doing!

To ensure that we are better able to understand your needs and have an even better home/school communication, I'd like to seek out where parents and carers would have an interest in setting up a Parent Teachers Association? Please contact us by the usual means so that I can gauge what interest there may be.

Children in their small groups must be thanked for their superb behaviour and efforts as well as our students learning at home. As ever, if you need anything at all, do get in touch.

Finally, I had a rather magical email today! A message from **Harry Potter star, Oliver Phelps!** (He plays one of the main characters, George Weasley) He has heard about how so many of you have enjoyed the audiobook version of Harry Potter (Miss Hilton put the link on Dojo) and has sent us a personal video message. **Check it out on our facebook and twitter pages.**

Yours sincerely



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