

25th March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: Daily Update – 25th March 2020

We have now completed three days of this new way of remote working. There has been some wonderful work produced already and many positive comments from students and their families.

We want to thank parents and students alike for embracing the changes over the last few days and maintaining their enthusiasm to learn. Our staff remain committed to supporting students and have been setting work and providing online feedback already this week.

We are conscious that this is a difficult situation and we will always welcome constructive feedback on how to make our remote provision more beneficial to students. As part of our ongoing behaviour system, we are still awarding positive points for students who are engaging well and completing the tasks set. We will be sharing a leader board with students later this week and will reward those with the highest number of positive points when we return to the Academy as normal. Students should continue to monitor their Academy email address for updates from Mr Mahroof.

Free School Meals (FSM)

If they have not done so already, parents of students currently in receipt of free school meals are asked to email <u>finance@wmgacademy.org.uk</u> so that we can arrange to reimburse you directly with the daily allowance. Please include in your email the student name, bank sort code and account number. The Government are working on a national approach to provide support though the provision of supermarket vouchers and we will update you when we know more.

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 <u>solihull.info@wmgacademy.org.uk</u>. Telephone messages will still be routinely monitored, however you will receive a response far sooner via email communications.

In the meantime, we recommend reading the Government advice on social distancing to help you to look after yourselves and others. This is available by clicking <u>here</u>.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact us if there is anything further we can do to support you or your family.

Yours faithfully,

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