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Dear Parents/Carers

It is with great appreciation I write this letter thanking all of you for your continued support and feedback.

As always, Sutton House Academy continue to operate a safe and secure environment adhering to all the government guidelines we find ourselves working within.

Unlike the first Lockdown, our online Google Classroom Educational provision has really taken off and many of our students are successfully accessing this platform and completing activities and live lessons including returning quality work for marking. This is truly superb! To continue to support the success of this provision, we have provided additional laptops to all families who require the necessary equipment and tutorials to help pupils and parents access their lessons. Where some pupils struggle to gain the confidence with Google Classroom, the completion work packs have proved invaluable and again, lovely work is returning to the school staff for marking.

Our Free School Meal pupils receive vouchers from the Government Voucher scheme Edenred and again, where families need additional support, we are providing food parcels as part of our welfare checks.

For pupils who are unable to attend, The Sutton House Academy team are completing welfare checks to ensure families have everything they need.

As an Academy, we endeavour to continue to run to termly schedules where progress and parents views can and will continue to be captured. Pupils will receive assessment grades/levels next week in line with their qualifications and class work. Tutors will continue to communicate with parents/carers regarding next steps. This is so very important especially in light of examinations being cancelled for the second year. Further information about examinations and assessments for our KS4 pupils will follow once Ofqual have communicated their final stance on this matter. We hope this will be in the next week or two.

The Leaders of the Academy are working hard with the Trust, to ensure our provision and the quality of the provision, is reviewed and monitored so that parents and carers can and are fully supported at all times.

The Prime minister has stated he will announce a return to school in March and we will keep you updated on this. Sutton House Academy remains open! I cannot envisage any significant changes to the educational offer other than time increases for our onsite pupils but again, we will be in touch as soon as we are able to.

Finally, may I say again, a huge thank you! With the patience and such positive responses from our parent/carer community, Sutton House Academy will continue to do our very best.

Should you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours Sincerely,

Alexis Bull Headteacher