



# Great Wyrley Academy

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Dear Parents / Carers

As we reach the end of the half term I wanted to write to you all to summarise how the half term has gone and to look forward to the future. Reflecting on the past six weeks, our students, staff and yourselves have had to adapt- yet again- to new routines and lockdown restrictions. As a school, we have benefitted from being ahead of the game with regard to remote education. We were able to swiftly revert to google classrooms, live lessons and complemented this with our use of Classcharts and our pastoral team contacting home regularly; we have been able to make the best of this situation and ensure everyone stays as safe and well as is possible whilst continuing with their education. It hasn't been easy, but I'd like to thank you all for your ongoing support and pay tribute to the students for their high level of engagement and to the staff for their continued efforts and professionalism.

Looking forwards, we will continue with remote education after half term. School will be closed except to those who are currently attending (children of Key workers and some other individuals by arrangement). We are awaiting news from the DfE regarding wider school re-opening (likely to be announced over the half term break).

## **Year 9 Parents Evening / Options Evening**

The Year 9 Parents evening due to take place next half term is postponed for the time being. We will, however, be continuing with our Year 9 options process and 'evening' which will take place virtually. Information will be coming out to Year 9 students and parents straight after half term.

## **Free School Meals**

Those who qualify for a free school meal will continue to be sent email vouchers through WONDE during term time. Over half term the system is slightly different as the local authority are the providers. However, you should still be sent a voucher to cover the week.

## **Remote Learning guidance**

A reminder that our remote learning guidance for students and parents can be accessed here-  
<https://sites.google.com/windsor.windsoracademytrust.org.uk/student-and-parent-guidance/home>



Please contact [support@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk](mailto:support@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk) if you require technical support or a device to help your child study.

A reminder that if you need advice on how to stay safe online during this period of closure the following are useful websites:-

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/>  
<https://www.internetmatters.org/>  
<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

If you have any safeguarding concerns, online or otherwise the names of the Safeguarding team are at the end of this letter with the relevant email address.

In the meantime, have a pleasant and relaxing half term break. I hope that we can look forward to school reopening and getting back to some degree of normality soon into the next half term.

Yours sincerely



Ian Moreton  
Headteacher

## Useful Information

### Keeping up to date

Letters and parent bulletins can be found on our News tab or using the links on the Parent page of the school website. Follow us on the usual social media platforms.

### Student illness

Please let us know if your child is ill and unable to complete their Google Classroom work by emailing [info@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk](mailto:info@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk) . Please let us know how long you think they will be unable to complete the work and if the illness is suspected coronavirus

### Questions or queries

General questions or concerns about your child, the work set or other issues please email [info@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk](mailto:info@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk).

### Safeguarding

The Great Wyrley Academy Safeguarding Team members are:-

Mr D Fielder  
Mrs S Fletcher  
Ms J Foyle

Please email [safeguarding@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk) if you have any concerns in the first instance.

However, if you have a safeguarding concern about a child outside of school hours please call First Response on 0800 131 3126. If there is an urgent response needed, please phone 999 or 111.

For anything else please email [info@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk](mailto:info@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk) or use the contact us page on our website.