



10<sup>th</sup> April 2020

Dear Parent/Carer and Students,

I hope that all of our families are well and looking after each other.

Again, the school has been open for a small number of students of 'Key Worker' parents this week and I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to the students who have attended for engaging really well with the programme that has been put together. My grateful thanks also go to the staff who have been on site to allow this provision to take place. This week the students have put together a 'Happy News' article which is available on our website alongside this message – this certainly provided light relief for me and reminded me of the imagination and positivity of our young people.

Could I please ask you all to take note of the messages below:

### Safeguarding

Should you have a safeguarding issue that you need to bring to the academy's attention then please email Miss Bate ([f.bate@hodgson.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:f.bate@hodgson.lancs.sch.uk)) and Mrs Fox ([s.fox@hodgson.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:s.fox@hodgson.lancs.sch.uk)).

### Online Library

I wrote last week about the online library that we have available for students. Due to a technical difficulty, the library only actually became available to students in the middle of this week. The library is now fully accessible to students and I encourage students to take advantage of this opportunity. If there are books you would really like to see in the library then please get in touch.

### Work for Students

We have listened carefully to feedback we have received regarding the quantity of work we have set. As a result, we have designated the coming week as being as much of a 'holiday' as possible. Some app-based work will be available, however this is very much a rest week. The quantity of work is designed to cater for all; some students are rapidly moving through work and want more. I completely understand in these circumstances if other students do less. To be completely clear, in these times and as much as I would like students to engage with education, the wellbeing (physical and mental) of our students and families comes before the need to complete set work. We are also seeking parent/carers views on the level of provision thus far and the link to contribute to this survey is in the covering email.

On behalf of the academy, I would like to pass my best wishes to all our students and families.

Yours faithfully,

I. Siddall  
Headteacher

