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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to you regarding pupils' remote attendance and the completion of learning material during the current national lockdown.

We would firstly like to thank you for your continued cooperation and for working with the academy to support your child's education. We do understand that each family's circumstances and their access to learning material for their children differs, and the responsibility to provide educational support at home can be challenging.

Your child's academy will have been in touch to inform you of the arrangements made for your child to access learning material remotely. If you are unsure of what is in place, then please contact the academy to confirm these arrangements.

We ask that all parents make every effort to ensure that their child has access to, and completes, any learning material provided. Should your child be unable to access the learning material, please contact your child's teacher via email as soon as possible.

Our academies genuinely want to help. Please do speak to your academy if you are having any of the following issues:

- Lack of access to a device, or enough devices, to deliver online remote learning
- Lack of other resources (i.e. pens, paper etc)
- Difficulty in completing the remote learning; work feels too easy or too hard
- · Difficulty in engaging your child in home learning
- Difficulty in supporting home learning for more than one child
- Any other difficulty or issue

It is important that pupils remain engaged in education, even when they are not attending the school site. Where the school is providing online teaching or work through other means, including specific sessions for checks and feedback, we encourage pupils to fully participate so that they do not miss out on vital education. If we ensure that all children complete the lessons issued by their school, schools can promptly begin normal lessons when schools return in full.

If your child is unwell and is unable to attend remote learning sessions, please inform the school office by no later than 8:00am, or as soon as possible should your child become

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unwell during the school day. Schools are obliged by law to continue to monitor the engagement of their children with the remote learning, even though they are at home.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support. If, we can assist you in any way please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

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