



2nd April 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all keeping well.

As we come to the end of the first two weeks of school closure, I wanted to use this opportunity to say how proud I am of year 9. I have had endless emails from staff showing me their work and students showing me directly their own unique successes of the weeks. One highlight of this being the adverts all the business students have been creating! Both Mr Johnson and I have loved these. This positive response to remote learning has ranged across all subject areas and has highlighted to me just how mature our students can be.

It has been amazing to hear of so many year 9's taking part in physical activity over the past two weeks. The use of exercise is fantastic to create routine and structure and has many benefits beyond physical health. For inspiration for more alternative activity to promote wellbeing, please encourage your child to visit the "Emmbrook wellbeing" share point page. As of Monday the 6th of April, student's workload will reflect that of a school holiday. This would be a great opportunity for them to have some rest and recuperate from their first two weeks of remote learning.

I would like to thank all of you for the support you have shown both the school and your child. Without this support, remote learning would be incredibly difficult to encourage. I recognise the challenges this may present and again ask for this support to continue moving forward.

I will continue to email all students via their school outlook email. Please encourage them to share with both tutors and myself anything they are proud of or problems they may be having. Their achievements have inspired me to take this time to further challenge myself and I am currently trying to learn Spanish.

If you have any questions moving forward, please do not hesitate to be in contact.

Kind regards

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Year 9 leader.