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Dear Parent / Carer,

Now that we have completed our fifth week since our return, I wanted to write to you with a progress update.

Our young people and staff body living our values

Since our return, our young people have been fantastic. With the exception of some timely reminders, the pupil body have complied with our safe working practices; displayed patience and maturity beyond their years and shown a willingness to embrace our 'new normal'.

I cannot emphasise enough how proud I am of our young people in such challenging, frustrating times.

Sincere thanks also go to our staff body who have contributed greatly to our collective efforts to ensure a safe and healthy school.

Our priority

Since our return, our main focus has been on the care, welfare and health of our school community. This will continue to be our main focus and, at the same time, we will do all we can to ensure the best outcomes for all of our young people.

With this in mind, our School Improvement Priorities, which can be found in more detail on our website are:



Harris Academy School Improvement Plan Session 2020 - 2021



Respect

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Achievement

Late coming

As a reminder, learning begins at 8.45 with young people reporting to their period 1 class. We ask all young people to be in the building between 8.30 and 8.40am to ensure they are ready to begin at the start of the lesson.

I would ask all parents/carers to support us in ensuring our young people are in school on time.

Face coverings

I am also asking all parents / carers to continue to support us by ensuring your child has access to a face covering for travel to school and entry to our building. We have noticed a growing number of young people who are continually forgetting to bring one.

As of this week, we will communicate with parents / carers of identified young people who do not bring a face covering (with the exception of those who are already know to be exempt) in the hope of gaining your support.

Within the next two weeks, face masks with our school crest will be delivered. They are available to buy for £3 via ParentPay for those who would like to purchase one.

Yours sincerely,



Barry Millar
Head Teacher

