GEORGE PINDAR SCHOOL

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Dear Parent / Carer

## **Coronavirus Update**

I hope this finds you and your family safe and well and hope that you are profiting from some of the increased freedoms from the lockdown restrictions to see friends and family.

In school we are looking forward to the return of Year 10 students from Monday and we await guidance from the Government regarding plans for September. Online learning remains vitally important for students in all year groups and I would like to remind all families that checklists on our Google Drives are updated weekly. Links to the Google Drives can be found from <a href="https://www.georgepindarschool.org/online\_learning">www.georgepindarschool.org/online\_learning</a> whilst tasks are also set regularly on SAM Learning and Mathswatch. Please contact school if your child is struggling to complete online learning as a number of support mechanisms are in place. I would also urge your child to log on to their school email accounts regularly as a great deal of useful information is shared in this way.

Our keyworker provision continues to be well-attended by those students who are not able to stay at home; if you would like to make use of this service, please contact <a href="hello@gps.hlt.academy">hello@gps.hlt.academy</a> to ensure that a place is available. Those families who regularly access this provision are asked to notify us if their days change so that safeguarding requirements can be met. Students who are travelling by public transport should remember that new guidance means they should wear a face covering from Monday 15 June; however for those students using school transport the following advice has been given by the Department for Education: 'When deciding whether children wear a face covering on school transport, it is also important to remember:

- school transport is unlike public transport, in that it generally carries the same group of children to and from the same destination each day – this may help reduce the risk of cross infection
- · children and staff won't be expected to wear face coverings in school'.

Our website and social media channels are regularly updated so please do log on to see the latest news from George Pindar School and to access information and support about a range of pertinent issues. Government guidance continues to be regularly updated and as soon as we have news about plans for September, I will update families. I continue to keep you and your families in my thoughts and look forward, as ever, to the return of normality.

Yours sincerely

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