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Dear Parent/Carer

A number of our members of staff already call home to check on the wellbeing of children and provide some general, as opposed to subject, guidance. We recognise that at this time all of us are uncertain and anxious, therefore it would be of benefit for all students to receive personal contact from a member of staff. We have allocated a staff contact for all children. It may be their tutor, or Achievement Leader, Pastoral Support Officer or other support worker. This member of staff will phone, or use 'Teams', to contact your child and we aspire for this contact to be fortnightly, although it may be more frequent for some.

The nature of the conversation is founded on feedback from the student wellbeing survey we sent out in July and guidance released by the DfE this week, both of which feature the importance of 1:1 contact to check on student's wellbeing. Aspects such as; exercise, going outside, hobbies, social contact, personal routines and adjustment to new school routines.

During the summer lockdown, we scheduled a number of 'Consolidation Days' into the calendar. These are days where the normal timetable is suspended so students can 'consolidate' on the work they have been completing online. It also provides an opportunity to focus on different types of activities to the normal day in lockdown. Students and parents/carers will receive an email in advance of the consolidation days with the activities and work students should be completing on the day, which will include:

- A chance to catch up or complete online learning
- Extension activities
- Opportunities to reflect on online learning
- Wellbeing activities
- Year group specific activities
- Live sessions

Consolidation days will take place on **Monday 25 January and Tuesday 9 February 2021.**

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

Mr G Odlin
Assistant Headteacher

