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Our Ref: HeadteacherSA: parental ltrs/POS/JOD

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope everybody is safe and well. As we come to the end of another week, the half-term break is in sight for all of us. I would like to thank you for your support, in particular with TEAMS and live lessons.

Parental/Carer feedback has been extremely positive regarding live lessons and I would like to thank you for all of the positive emails that have been sent to us commenting on both the schools and staff endeavors. We have also collated the results from the parental questionnaire that was distributed last week. The response was superb, and the feedback was, on the whole, extremely positive. Where suggestions have been made, we have implemented a response which students will hopefully benefit from. Some adjustments which have commenced this week included:

- 1. Drop ins for students to chat to the Intervention Team regarding any work issues/IT issues.
- 2. A Friday P5 student wellbeing slot (some activities posted on ClassCharts).
- 3. An extended Form Tutor slot so that students have more time to discuss any concerns with the tutor.
- 4. Year Managers to liaise with parent/carers that responded to the guestionnaire where relevant.
- 5. A reading time slot with an opportunity to collect books from school.
- 6. An SLT coffee morning style informal drop in for parent/carers.
- 7. A no screen day for students.

The consultation regarding the awarding of GCSE grades for 2021 closed on January 29th and as soon as we receive updates, we will of course share them with you.

Many thanks to all of the families that attended the virtual Parents' Evening last week. Feedback has proved to be extremely positive and further Parents' Evenings will be scheduled virtually in due course.

I know for many of us this period of national lockdown and partial closure is tiring and frustrating and I can assure you we are looking forward to the time when we can be back at school and regaining some normality to education. It has been a strange time but hopefully the Summer term will bring a sense of normality and children will all be back at school.

Thank you for your continued support at this time.

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Yours sincerely

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