

Friday 13th November 2020

Dear Parents / Carers

RE: School update

I am writing to keep you updated on our progress continuing education whilst remaining safe on site. Currently there are no live cases of Covid-19 across our staff team and there haven't been since before half term. We are still proud to confirm that no student cases of the virus either proving our Risk Assessment, site practice and enhanced cleaning regime are working.

We continue to follow closely Government guidance on the management of the virus but thank you for your co-operation and supporting our measures to keep us all safe.

To reiterate the current position – All sites, Phoenix House, Park House and Sevenhills are open and attendance is expected unless ill or isolating. Please ensure you are keeping school informed of any illness or self-isolation so we can record this accurately and support appropriately.

Where school attendance does not happen we have a legal obligation to safeguard students which is challenging. If attendance is not possible on site but your son/daughter is not ill then attendance at a virtual session – using the technology we have provided is expected daily.

In the event of non-attendance physically or non-engagement virtually we have to report these matters daily as safeguarding concerns in line with our policy. The intention is not to cause distress but to ensure all our students are safe and well. We are very aware that prolonged absence has a negative effect on mental health so please engage with our wellbeing support and if you have any problems please get in touch with Rachel Patchett our Parent Support Advisor.

We have arranged virtual progress reviews for next week to assess how things are going and discuss how we move forward and plan ahead as we continue to work through Covid-19 times.

Yours sincerely,



Mr P Hutchinson
Executive Principal