



Seahaven Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers

RE: COVID-19 Update 28th April 2020

Childcare provision

- Thank you for your continued support for both our 'learning from home' and on-site provision. In line with Government guidance, we are now offering only an extremely limited childcare facility for children where parents or carers are in a critical front line position, or for children and young people who are considered vulnerable according to the guidelines provided to us.
- We have had a significant increase in requests for childcare places since the Easter break. The government asks that parents 'keep their children at home, wherever possible', and that schools should 'remain open only for those children who absolutely need to attend'.
- In order to accommodate those children who 'absolutely need to attend' we will be sending out requests to those currently on the childcare roll to confirm that days/ times need to be maintained over the next few weeks of term, as we have done previously. This is to help us plan on a daily basis and avoid unexpected absence and also to ensure that we are able to provide for as many families as possible at a time when staffing is still extremely limited.
- **Childcare provision will be open for Wednesday 29th April, 8am- 3pm.**

Learning from Home

- Tomorrow, Wednesday, 29th April is our first PSHE day. There will be a range of tasks provided for students to do around key topics and themes that we would have been covering with them this term. This will appear in the Show My Homework schedule for that day.
- During Term 5 there will be an assembly theme each week with a presentation from a member of staff and follow up activities to support the theme. The second of these 'assemblies' was made available today and is on the theme of Spring and Hope.

General

- Please note that staff are now using a new system to contact families which allows us to use our own phones via a central number. If you receive a call from Kettering or dialling code 01832, this is in fact a call from a member of staff at Seahaven Academy.
- If you have a child coming up to Seahaven Academy in September, we haven't forgotten about them! We are currently putting together information for parents to help start off the transition process. This will be sent out soon.



Principal Sarah Pringle

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- The government announced plans earlier this month for a longer term national Free School Meals strategy as part of the Covid- 19 response. They are supplying £15 vouchers per child per school week. If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals and have not yet claimed them please use the following link to apply: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>
- The year 9 options process will resume shortly. Students in that year group will receive instructions around how to make their choices shortly.

Yours sincerely

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