

Wednesday 1st April 2020

Dear Parent / Carer,

I hope that you and your family are managing to adjust to the current way of life that we are facing.

We now have only a small number of children attending school each day. A massive thank you to everyone for your support and flexibility in this unprecedented time. I am incredibly proud too of the whole Quest team for their hard work and commitment. We are doing as much as we can to support them too!

The Easter Holidays start from Friday for two weeks (3rd April – 20th April) and the school will be closed for this time to all pupils. If you struggle over the Easter break please get in touch with us by either e-mailing quest.office@macintyreacademies.org or contacting me directly nicola.wells@macintyreacademies.org or by ringing my work mobile number: 07932 909 754.

At the moment government guidance is for schools to open for pupils whose parents are key workers and those who are most vulnerable (e.g. who have a social worker). We are working with families and social workers to regularly review the needs of this group of young people. We will be in touch with you in the last few days of the holidays to check in with you and to tell you what our plans are, in response to the government advice at that time. If there is no change to current advice and national school closure is to continue for longer, we will talk to you about what support you need and whether it is appropriate for your child to return to school after the Easter holidays. We know that needs will change over time for our young people and families and we will work with you to make the best decisions.

Please don't put any pressure on yourselves for home learning – do as much or as little as you feel is necessary. The best thing for you and your child is to be calm and have as much fun as you can. Reading, baking, doing art work, or gardening and other life skills such as how to use the washing machine, are learning experiences too. You know what your child and family need and if you need any support from us please get in touch.

I want to assure you that we are here for your family in this time.

Please take care, stay home and stay safe.

Kind regards

Nicola Wells

Principal, Quest Academy





