



Haberdashers' Monmouth Schools

31st March 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians

The Executive team and Governors met last week to finalise arrangements for the Summer term. It looks increasingly likely that we will not be returning to school on the 21st April and will be remaining open just for the children of key workers.

We are, therefore, planning to deliver a dynamic online educational programme which will ensure continuity of education for our pupils across the different age ranges. This programme will be run from a new online microsite giving easy access to teaching resources and assessments, pastoral care, enrichment activities and a virtual day which can operate across different time zones for our international boarders.

Whilst we are confident that this will deliver a high-value programme for older children, we also recognise that this will not be fully accessible for nursery-aged children. Therefore, instead of asking for 60% of the day tuition fees as we are doing for all other age groups, we will be invoicing you for a 20% retainer on nursery fees.

Our schools have significant fixed costs and whilst we have closed down many areas of our schools and associated enterprises, and furloughed some staff, we are looking for your support through the prompt payment of this 20% retainer.

We recognise that some families may struggle to pay fees because of their changed circumstances, please contact our Bursar in the first instance bursar@habsmonmouth.org

We are setting up a hardship fund to support those whose financial situation has altered dramatically. We would be immensely grateful to anyone who might be in a position to make a contribution to this fund. If you feel able to help in any way, please do contact the Principal principal@habsmonmouth.org

Our aim is to weather this storm together and to emerge stronger than ever. Your child's educational needs and wellbeing are our top priorities as we remain closed to all but key workers' children. None of us can predict when we will open for business as usual, but we are ready and waiting to open as soon as the government gives us the go ahead.

Thank you for your on-going support.

Yours sincerely

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Principal

Chairman of Governors