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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our weekly update about what has been happening at the academy. Again, we would like to thank you for the many messages of support that continue to come in: we pass these messages to staff on a weekly basis and they really do value your kind thoughts.

Parents' Evenings:

Year Ten 'virtual' Parents' Evening is on February 3rd, please make your appointment to speak to your child's teacher about their progress. This will be a really good opportunity for feedback on how well they are interacting with online learning and for you to voice any concerns you may have.

Sixth Form Taster Day:

This will take place on Wednesday 27th January. It will give students a 'virtual' experience of life at MBA Sixth Form. If your son/daughter has not already registered via the link sent out please get them to do so. If they want to attend but have had any difficulty registering, please ask them to contact school on Monday.

Head Girl/Boy

The process of electing our new Head Girl and Head Boy is underway. If your son/daughter is in Year 13 please encourage them to apply for the post. The position is really important as an ambassador for the academy and gives many opportunities to develop public speaking and interpersonal skills. Details can be found on our Instagram and Facebook pages, but for any student wanting any further information Ms Fitzwilliam, pastoral Head of Sixth Form is on hand to help.

Lock down Learners:

We are keen to celebrate our students' success, particularly under the current circumstances. Every week on Instagram and Facebook we publish our 'lockdown learners' for the week for each year group. These are students who have gone the extra mile with their online learning and contributions – so a huge well done to all of them.

Live Lessons:

We will be entering our third week of live lessons: students in Year 11,12 and 13 are now receiving real time lessons. It has taken a little bit of getting used to for all concerned, but we feel that staff and students are really feeling the benefit of having teaching that is as close to a real lesson as possible.

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Synergy Lessons:

We would like to thank all parents in supporting their children with the online learning provision, the numbers of students accessing lessons each day has been very pleasing. Please encourage your son/daughter to access their lessons every day: it is important that they keep up the routines associated with a school day.

IT Equipment:

If you are still struggling with IT equipment for home learning, please do contact us and we will do our very best to help.

Covid Testing:

We have been carrying out lateral flow testing in school for staff. Students whose parents have given consent have also been tested if they are present in school. This has only been possible due to the dedication and hard work of our administrative team and other staff volunteers, so our thanks go to them. The set- up has been professional and the process has run extremely smoothly. To date we have had no positive results from those tested.

Finally, we know this is continues to be a challenging time. As always, we may not be fully open, but we are still here if you have any concerns about your child's education or wellbeing, give us a call and we will try our best to help.

Have a safe and enjoyable week,

Kind Regards,

Mr John Cowper and Mrs Heather McClurg (Acting Co-Principals)

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