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Subject: Thank you and enjoy Easter with your family!

Dear Parent/Carer,

First of all, on behalf of myself and all of the amazing staff team at Employability Solutions I would like to say a huge thank you to you for your support of our young people and the work we have been doing during these extremely strange and challenging times. You are all pretty amazing too!

Home Learning

As you know we have been supporting our young people with home learning packs, online learning and virtual classroom over the last two weeks and many of you have been helping us collect evidence of work or been behind the scenes cheering on your son/daughter and encourage them to keep a routine and continue to engage with learning. Again, we really appreciate this!

We are constantly looking at ways to improve our home learning offer and we are busy working away at plans going forward which is not always easy as advice, information and guidelines seem to change at least daily.

Please be reassured that we will continue to provide a high level of support after Easter to give every student a chance to participate, learn and achieve. We will continue to keep in touch!

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Easter holidays

This Easter break will probably feel very odd. For most of us it will be hard to see it as a holiday. Nobody is going to be going anywhere and it will largely feel like it's felt for the last two weeks except maybe with a bit more chocolate!

Many of the team will be taking a break over Easter but there will still be a pastoral team checking in and available for you to contact if you need us! Tutors will not be setting work and the curriculum will stop for two weeks. However, we don't want boredom to set in so will be providing a variety of fun-based, creative activities to help make these two weeks feel at least a bit different.

Please encourage your son/daughter to take a break and use this time to do lots of fun things and maybe even learn a new skill or two. It would also be a good time to put their life skills to the test and get them to help with cooking and tasks in the house and garden!

We would encourage everyone to keep active and there are lots of ideas of ways to do this in our Easter packs. It is important that we all try to reduce our screen time or gaming time and mix it up with a variety of activities each day!

Exams/Qualifications

GCSE news

You will have seen the news about GCSEs and exams not happening this year and for those of our young people who were planning to sit GCSEs this year I will send out a separate letter after Easter outlining what will happen regarding them achieving grades this year.

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Our qualifications can still be awarded this Summer!

All of our students though will still, based on current guidelines, have the opportunity to sit online Functional Skills exams in maths and English and as long as they continue to work on coursework based subjects with support from their tutors, will still be able to achieve additional qualifications.

We will be in touch just after Easter to explain how this will work and what each young person needs to do to complete their qualifications this year. This is a real bonus and will help them to still reach their goals for their next steps in September.

We are committed to supporting every young person to achieve their best and have the evidence to show just what they are capable of!

We will need your support to be behind our young people every step of the way with this.

Support for parents/carers

Please remember we are just a phone call or email away and are here to support you. It has been tough and is likely to be tough for a while longer. We are looking at setting up some online sessions for parents/carers to give you the opportunity to ask questions and access support and ideas to help you to keep on helping our young people at home.

If you have any ideas about any support you would like just let us know!

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Meanwhile, have the best Easter break you can! Please keep safe and look after each other!

Yours sincerely,

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