



Dear Parent/Carer

12th March 2021

Helping people be amazing versions of themselves

Thanks to an inspiring community effort we have had a brilliant return to face-to-face teaching, achieving some phenomenal things along the way - lateral flow testing almost 2000 people, launching Year 11 exams, supporting some of our most vulnerable students and just getting used to working in face coverings in classrooms!

The next few weeks provide the opportunity to set the cultural and educational tone collaboratively and empathetically for our children's future. As you would expect from Hazeley we are committed to aiming far higher than "normal" schools. At the same time, we know that this will not be easy, as some people are understandably still feeling a little uneasy. Please be assured that staff will do all they can to work with our students, and you as parents/carers. This will not involve us lowering expectations, it will involve us working together to overcome any barriers that our young people might face. Supporting where needed, but ultimately taking our children to a place where they can be amazing versions of themselves, full of Character, Confidence and Creativity whilst also growing through helping others.

Some of our Year 7 students wanted to share their views and thoughts on being back in the building after another lockdown. We are very proud of how everyone has coped, and we hope you find it reassuring listening to them - [Year 7 Messages](#).

Home Testing- Please play your part by following the home testing programme. Students will be bringing their kits home from Monday onwards and you will receive a communication on the day your child is bringing their kit home with more details. The leaflet your child will be bringing home explains the procedures well, but you may also find it useful to watch this NHS video - [How to do a COVID-19 Self Test \(rapid antigen test\) - YouTube](#)

Face coverings, social distancing and government guidance – We are very grateful for your support in encouraging your child to play their part in protecting the rest of their community by following the guidance.

Uniform - At Hazeley the differences between us make us stronger and our uniform unities us, please ensure that your child wears the correct uniform. If you need any support, then email enquires@thehazeleyacademy.com and we will do all we can to support you.

Exercise books / Folders- Please support your child getting back onto the routine of bringing all of their exercise books or folders back to school.

Travel to school – Please do all you can to encourage your child to walk or cycle to school. If you really must drive them, please consider dropping them off a distance from the Academy to walk part of the way. Our children need the fresh air and exercise now more than ever.

Learning beyond lessons - Please find attached details of a free online learning course which you may find useful to support your child/ren, as well as a reminder of the enrichment opportunities available.

MK Council have also asked me to share this message from our Director of Public Health with you - [Vicky Head \(Director of Public Health\) has written a letter to MK parents and carers.](#)

As always, we are not aiming for, or offering perfection, but we are committed to working with you, your child and each other, to grow a vibrant community of exceptional people.

Thank you for playing your part.

Mr Nelson