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Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to you at the end of the strangest terms in schools we have all known. I know that there has been lots of contact between families, students and the schools and I wanted to show my appreciation to our staff who have stepped up at the most difficult time and endeavoured to provide the best possible education in the circumstances. The pastoral team and form tutors have been available during the school day to help support any child who found the change hard to cope with. Please encourage your child to email our staff and we will work together with yourselves to offer the best support possible after Easter. Our staff do need a break and it is important that parents are aware that the level of contact that students have had with staff will reduce over the Easter holidays.

I would like to thank you for the support shown by parents and carers for us as a school during this time. Each of the messages of support gives us a little boost and makes the hard work worthwhile. However, our work, although important, pales in comparison to that undertaken by the front line NHS staff and those working in essential services. We have many parents who are undertaking these dangerous and demanding jobs on a daily basis and I am sure you share our gratitude and appreciation for the amazing work they are doing.

We appreciate that this Easter holidays will feel very different to normal, and having spent a fortnight supporting your child's education from home, you are probably ready for a break from this role. As many families will probably usually have spent the Easter holidays out and about, a luxury which we do not have this year, in order to support you, we have drawn together a booklet of suggested Easter holiday activities, which will be posted out and a copy available under the 'Home Learning' tab on our website. We are keen that children and their families feel that they have had a break from school work, so these are fun and creative ideas which can be completed in and around the home. There is no expectation that students will complete a certain number, they are purely suggestions should you be running out of ideas. We would love to hear from students if they complete any of the activities suggested, and would love them to send their pictures in to office@obhs.co.uk. We will look through these after the Easter holidays and would like to be able to award students positive points on Go4Schools and Habits Cards to reward the OBHS Habits they have shown us they are putting to good work. We hope that, despite the challenging circumstances we find ourselves in, you and your family manage to have an enjoyable and restful Easter break.

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher

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