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Dear Parent/Carer

As we come to the end of another academic year, it has of course been a year like no other. An unprecedented situation that continues to affect all of our lives. Who could have imagined that the education of the country's children would be impacted by not attending school in person, but rather staying at home with remote learning.

The Prime Minister said on Monday 12th July, "It is absolutely vital that we proceed now with caution. And I cannot say this powerfully or emphatically enough. This pandemic is not over. This disease coronavirus continues to carry risks for you and for your family."

In September we all hope that some normality will return to school life as we have known it before the pandemic hit, but we will have learnt a huge amount from the experience and even better able to deal with any re-occurrence. As trustees we are very aware of the impact the pandemic has had on you as parents and carers and we are very aware of the impact the situation has had on your children, particularly on children and young people's mental health and wellbeing.

Rest assured that we will, in conjunction with the school leadership teams and the executive, do all we can to ensure your child/children receives a quality education that is appropriate for every stage of their development and also prepares them for life beyond school either into further education, apprenticeships or the work place.

In the meantime, I want to express my deep gratitude, on behalf of my fellow trustees, for the ways in which you have both supported your child/children and the relevant school/s to which they attend. I also want pay tribute to the staff of all our schools who have worked tirelessly and with a deep determination and commitment to do the very best for the children under their care against such adversity.

And finally, I hope the forthcoming summer break is a good one for you and your family and friends.

With best regards



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Chair of the Wellsway Multi Academy Trust