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# Poynton High School and Performing Arts College

Head Teacher: Mr M Dean

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I wanted to write to thank you again for your support with the challenging start to term this year. I am particularly grateful for the parents who took the time to email in to thank colleagues in school; it is really appreciated.

Students handled the disruption well, which was impressive as most of our younger students had no experience of online learning through Google Classroom. It was, however, great to be back in school on Monday as the interaction with students is so much more natural in a face to face setting. It also highlights the importance of being in school to enable students to engage in sport, music, drama and other clubs and this community aspect of school is really vital to students' success.

This is why we value student attendance in school so much. The government campaign slogan is 'Moments Matter, Attendance Counts' and that is certainly the case in Poynton. Our attendance is higher than the national average and that goes a long way to explain the strong academic performance of students and the ability of so many to develop vital skills through clubs and other activities. We are grateful for the support of parents in reinforcing this message around attendance to students.

Some of the work of our students can be seen in the most recent newsletter which is available at <https://sway.cloud.microsoft/zFQjVJcvk5NaoMAi?ref=Link>. I hope that you enjoy reading it.

I look forward to updating you on the work of our school throughout the year.

Best wishes,

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