

12th February 2021

Dear parents/carers,

Re: Thank you and arrangements from Monday 22nd February

As we approach the end of 'JOG Wellbeing Day' and with it this half term, it seems a good opportunity to write to you to say thank you.


Staff at John O'Gaunt have worked incredibly hard to ensure your children get the best possible education and care, but there is no doubt that your support and dedication has been a vital part of the many successes we have seen and that you have been emailing us about. As a parent myself, I understand a little bit about the challenges involved in balancing work, home life and remote education and know that this sits alongside the experiences of a pandemic that affects all of us. Therefore, I hope that you are looking after your own welfare too and, on behalf of all of us at JOG, please accept a heartfelt **thank you** for everything you are doing to support the school and your children.

School resumes in the same manner on Monday 22nd February, with the majority of students learning remotely. Our provision for vulnerable students and the children of key workers will be open as usual on site. Please note that the school is fully closed during the half term break.

As I write, further details about the full reopening of schools are expected to be announced during the week commencing 22nd February by the government. Whilst we have begun to plan for this already, until we know exactly what the guidance will be, we cannot finalise any arrangements yet. We will of course, write to you at the earliest opportunity when we do know more.

In the meantime, I wish you and your family a great half term week and hope it provides opportunities for all of you to step away from work and screens, and spend some quality time together. Moreover, I hope you keep safe and well and we look forward to welcoming your children back, virtually or physically, next half term.

Yours sincerely,



Mr R Hawthorne
Head of School