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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been lovely during these last two weeks to see the school with a full complement of pupils reengaging with us and getting back to something like the routine of a normal school day. It is, however, not easy to quickly establish what type of support our young people may need and we thought it might be helpful to attach some our current thinking in that regard.

Please find attached a document which hopefully sets out some shared philosophies at a time when things feel continually uncertain and which you may find helpful to refer to when talking to your children about school in the coming weeks. I would in particular refer you to the section on 'promoting positivity in language' as it may help to 'frame' some of your conversations with the children. Please take the time to read it if you can; it was received well by our parent governors at a Governing Body meeting last week.

Many thanks for your continuing support – it is greatly appreciated.

Best wishes,

Mr J Hicks Headteacher