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Dear parents and carers,

Please find below a summary of the key messages that are being shared with parents this coming week during their tutorials. This is the last weekly email of this half term as the college finishes for Easter at the end of the day on Friday 1st April and students will return on Tuesday 19th April, following the Easter bank holiday Monday.  Please note that the college remains open (except for bank holidays) for students to come in to revise should they wish too. There are also many revision classes and workshops being offered as, on return to college after the break, we will be very close to the main examination season.

**Contact details**

Tutors will be asking students to update their personal mobile numbers  and email addresses this week as it’s important to us as a college that we are able to communicate with students.

**Level 3 year 2 students**

As we start to think about the end of their time with us, all of our second years are completing an online learning programme called ‘future focus’ in tutorials which supports with preparing for life after college. We are also in the process of organising a student finance presentation for parents/carers to provide information about Higher Education loans and student finance.  More details on this to follow.

**Cultural celebration day**

Celebrating our diverse college is really important to us. On the 31st March next week, across both campuses, there will be a range of cultural celebration and awareness raising events taking place, from cultural fashion shows in the theatre, to the refectory and cafes serving food from around the world, and ESOL learners on the Nelson campus are going to do a language activity and stand to promote awareness of language barriers and diversity in Lancashire.  Please encourage your young person to take part and raise their own awareness of cultural diversity.

**GCSE English and Maths exams**

For students studying English and Maths, the exams are coming up very soon after Easter. It is absolutely crucial that they attend all lessons every week. If they miss one lesson, then this is 50% of their lessons for this week.  We know that having English and maths qualifications is crucial for progressing onto higher education and careers and at college it is viewed as the most important part of a student’s study programme. Please support us by ensuring your young person attends all of their lessons.

I hope you enjoy a lovely Easter break and that your young person returns refreshed and energised; ready for the final term at college of this academic year. Please note, you will be receiving the half term 4 progress grades and attitude to learning score towards the end of the Easter break.

Kind regards

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