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Dear Learners, Parents/Carers,

Ref: Home Learning 2020

Early indications from the Government are that all the hard work with regards us staying at home and protecting the NHS is working. I'd like to add my thank you for everyone's support of this as the college continues to work remotely following the latest guidance from the Government. This is until at least the next review in 2 weeks' time.

The college will continue to support learners and families remotely with their home learning, please don't forget to share the work with everyone on our home learning page on the website. Please email your pictures and comments to info@theridgecollege.co.uk.

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Captain Tom Moore Challenge last week, there were some wonderful pictures of learners completing their steps and cards created for us to send on to him. If anyone has any more pictures or details of their steps for Captains Tom Moore's birthday card from the Ridge can you please let us have them urgently to ensure they are included.

Teachers have completed all the marking of the work learners have returned up to last week and they provided feedback last Friday in their college/home calls on the outcomes of the tasks finished so far. A sample of photographs of the marking for learners to see their teachers' comments were also sent out. I can see everyone is working really hard, well done.

Just a few reminders of activities you can still access:

Virtual learning via 'Whats App' with our teaching staff is available every day between 9am & 3pm. If you want to continue learning this week and you want to book a teaching slot, please contact Kerry or Sam on their numbers below.

There is also still access available to activities on <u>www.wizardingworld.com</u> for learners who may be interested in Harry Potter.

If parents want to catch up with other parents, there is the 'Group' page on the college facebook page. This helps you to keep in touch with each other and share experiences.

Teaching staff are still available Monday to Friday this week between 9am and 3pm for learners/parents and careers who are continuing their learning on:

Stuart Vaughan, Head of Curriculum- 07903513057 Kerry Richardson, Functional Skills Co-Ordinator- 07919168566 Samantha Everatt, Teacher- 07900043137

If you have any queries regarding welfare or support, please contact Mel or Sharon at any time:

Melanie Atkin, Head of College-	07950389874
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I hope everyone will join together on Thursday this week in clapping for all our carers as we thank all front line workers for their contribution to keeping us safe.

We will be sending out today to support our remote 'Science Week' task that can be completed in and around the home. These can be completed in addition to the home learning pack if learners would like to complete something different.

We would like to thank you all again for all your support at this unprecedented time.

If we can do more to help please let me know. We will be continuing our college to home calls every Friday but are available during the week for any concerns on the numbers detailed above. We hope that everyone is staying safe ready for our return to classroom sessions, which we will do as soon as it is safe to do so.

Best wishes to all our families at this difficult time.

Yours sincerely

Melanie Atkin Head of College