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Parents/Carers, Staff & Students of
The Roseland Multi Academy Trust

Dear Parents/Carers, Staff & Students

Firstly, thank you to everyone for your ongoing support during this time. As a Trust, I am very proud of what each school has achieved, either with their remote education provision or the support of those students currently attending their school. Our staff have been adapting and changing systems to accommodate the circumstances of individuals and I know that parents/carers have also been adapting to new ways of combining your own commitments as well as supporting home learning. Everyone's efforts are what makes the difference to a difficult situation being manageable, thank you. I know that each school has and will be asking for parental feedback and this again helps us to refine our delivery of remote learning. Trustees and I have an evaluation day next week where we will be talking to staff and students remotely about their experiences which will provide further information to refine what we do. I sincerely hope that our communities recognise that our blended learning approach has been developed to support everyone as much as we can and that there is no single best fit for remote education. A blended approach of live lessons, annotated and pre-filmed lessons, online educational sites such as Oak National Academy and offline activities is the approach we are taking.

I am sure you will have heard the government's plans for the reopening of schools. The Prime Minister has indicated that the earliest the government believes it will be safe to begin to increase student numbers in schools will be from Monday 8 March. Whilst there remain too many unknowns to be able to say with certainty that schools will begin to bring back more groups of students on that date, we will be given at least two weeks' notice to prepare for a return to face-to-face education. Your child's school will keep you up to date of their intentions once clarity on the return is known.

In a further statement from the government this week, it was confirmed that schools will not be asked to remain open over February half-term or to provide remote education. This will enable our staff, students and families to take a well-earned break enabling everyone to return refreshed for the second half of the Spring term. I would ask that children focus on their health and wellbeing and use this time to move away from screens and undertake some daily exercise, within the current government guidelines.

During this month, the Trust has also been focusing on securing the future of Tregony Nursery & Pre-School and we are delighted to inform you that they will be joining the Trust from 1 February. This provision has always played a big part in the community and as part of Tregony Primary School and we are really pleased to welcome the staff and children to our Trust.

I would like to finish by again thanking you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely

Chris Challis
Chief Executive Officer

