

3rd June 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you all safe and well in these unprecedented times. The Governors at Poltair would like to thank you all for your support over recent weeks in ensuring students continue to access their education and are kept safe. I hope you have enjoyed the family time and the glorious weather although I know at times this journey may have been challenging. I know you will also join with me in thanking all of the school staff for their hard work and commitment over the last few weeks in preparing work, contacting students and families and supporting those attending school over this time. The Poltair School staff continue to work extremely hard to ensure that each and every student's safety and education needs are being met, as they start to welcome the Year 10's back to school, over the next few weeks.

I wrote to you recently to explain that Stephen Tong, who had been Headteacher at the school, had decided to leave to explore new opportunities. We wish him all the best and thank him hugely for his commitment and support of the school over many years. Stephen was passionate about the student's wellbeing and outcomes and would want the school to continue to build on his legacy and flourish. With this in mind we advertised for a Head of School for Poltair following this news.

I am excited to inform you that we have now been able to appoint a new and dynamic Head of School to Poltair who will take up his post in September. Mark Everett brings with him a wealth of experience as a Headteacher, Ofsted Inspector and Public Speaker. He was successful in securing the position after two challenging days of interview activities. Mark is very excited to be moving to Poltair, to continue our journey in becoming an outstanding school. I am sure you will join with me in welcoming Mark, when he arrives and working with him to ensure the very best outcomes for our students.

We have been privileged to have the support of Richard Baker, Headteacher at Penrice School, as Executive Headteacher since last October to support the school in its development. He has already worked with the senior leadership team and staff to introduce some positive changes prior to lockdown. In the last few weeks especially, his support has been extremely welcomed. Working in partnership with Penrice and the primary schools provides a range of opportunities for students and staff. I am pleased to say that Richard will continue to support Mark and Poltair School across the next year to continue to raise standards, opportunities and outcomes for your children.

The Poltair school and community continues to be our priority and I hope you will support us in this journey.

Yours Sincerely,



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