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Dear Parents / Carers,

“ Together we ACHIEVE our best ”

I hope you have had time to see our amazing video posted on the school website: <https://clifford-holroyde.co.uk/> and also posted on: <https://vimeo.com/915907951/c1df53e52c> This video captures so much of what we stand for as a school and how we use our updated school values to 'ACHIEVE' so many successes with our pupils. Staff, pupils and Governors have updated our school vision as we want our pupils to be Ambitious, Caring, Healthy, Inclusive, to Embrace every opportunity, to be Valued and Empowered.

Curriculum developments have continued to be embed into school routines with reading lessons, interventions, DT lessons, DOE award and swimming lessons all going swimmingly! Our curriculum offer continues to be enriched by many visits, workshops, visitors and assemblies.

We were honoured to welcome Local MP Ian Burn who led assembly and expressed his desire to come back to Clifford Holroyde and speak with Student Council. We look forward to his visit in Summer. Jenny Turnross, the New Director of Childrens Social Services has also visited us. She walked around classrooms, spoke with pupils and even stayed for some lunch!

We have had so many visitors on site, including our School Improvement Partner (SIP), our LA Senior Send Officer, the Travel Training team, the LCC Capital Project Manager, a Finance Auditor, our HR Adviser, LFC Inspires staff, “We are With You” team, our Finance Officer, many of our school Governors, an Army careers team and two Dfe surveyors have also paid us a visit.

So many people have visited us and lots of our pupils have been going out into the community and into workplaces. Year 10 and year 11 pupils made us so proud when they completed their work experience placements successfully. Pupils enjoyed placements at cafes, shops, offices, warehouses and even a library. Some pupils arranged their own placements and others relied on 'Elevate', who came and delivered an assembly before arranging many of the placements. The pupils were able to gain valuable skills and experienced the world of work for themselves. They did themselves, their families and the school proud.



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This term, many pupils have engaged with employers, businesses and FE colleges attending Myerscough, Hugh Baird, Greenbank and City of Liverpool colleges. Workshops and events included National Careers week, the Apprenticeship Roadshow, STEAM Expo, Careers Connect workshop and Hospitality & Catering fayre.

Many of our parents / carers have attended events on site at school including parent afternoon, Alder Hey ADHD clinic and EHCP Annual review meetings.

Next term we have a bit of a problem with our gymnasium floor..... We won't have one! Over the Easter break, the damaged gym floor is going to be ripped up in preparation for repair works and a replacement floor. How long these repairs and the floor replacement will take is unknown and we are preparing for the whole Summer term without an indoor PE facility. Other works planned in during the Easter holidays include much needed pupil toilet upgrades.

With no indoor PE facility, we hope the weather will be good to us during summer term, but plans are in place to educate all pupils for PE offsite wherever possible so that whatever the weather, pupils will be able to remain active and engaged with the PE curriculum.

Summer term beckons and there are lots of exciting, engaging activities planned including introducing MFL (modern Foreign Languages), 4x new staff will be joining us in April, 'Bikeability' training, opportunities for outside learning and hopefully we will get a new gymnasium floor!

I am really excited to build on the amazing Spring term that we have just concluded and I look forward to a busy Summer term in which we are likely to welcome Ofsted inspectors at some stage. Can I take this opportunity to wish all pupils and their parents / carers a very happy, peaceful and safe Easter.

What a busy Term!

Yours sincerely,



Mr I Griffiths
Headteacher

