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Dear Mrs Eagleton

I hope this letter finds you well and you have made a positive start to the year. It is with great sadness that I share that we will be unable to host our highly successful Y5 and Y6 open evening as a face to face offer on 1st October. In recent years, attendance to this event has been incredibly high and has led to a large number of oversubscriptions for our incoming Y7. As much as we love opening the Academy to showcase our students, staff and facilities the current situation means our offer this year will have to be a virtual one.

A video has gone into production that will show families within our community the fantastic opportunities that are available for their children should they choose Yewlands Academy. This will be launched on 1st October. Alongside the sharing of this on our website, YouTube and Twitter pages, I would appreciate it greatly if you were able to show the video to your Y5 and Y6 classes in your school and also signpost this to parents/carers. We will be updating our prospectus and exploring other avenues for families that are unable to view content online.

I understand that the move to secondary school can be a difficult one for some families and I know that some will feel more anxious than others. If you have any vulnerable children, e.g. those with EHCPs, LAC status and/or children with SEND who you feel would benefit from speaking to a member of the Yewlands' pastoral team, please could you highlight those to us and we will endeavour to have direct contact with them to answer any queries they may have.

Thank you for your support and please get in touch with me if you ever feel there is anything we can do better to support your students and their families. I am more than happy for you to share this letter with Y5 and Y6 parents/carers if you have the capacity. Any direct questions can be sent to LearningSupport@yewlandsacademy.org

The best of luck for the weeks ahead!

Best wishes

Mr Andy Kelly
Principal

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