

LST/DNI

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Dear parents and carers

It has been a long time since our children have all been together in a classroom and we are hopeful this will happen soon. One of the things we are most keen to do is get children working together again as part of a team. With this in mind, we have Newcastle Falcons coming to work with us for a few weeks, including when everyone is back in school. They will visit us each Thursday until the Easter holidays.

While school is open only to key worker and vulnerable children:

Those in school will work with the Falcons on a healthy eating programme in the classroom and then some practical PE work. They should arrive in school wearing their PE kit on Thursdays.

Those at home will have access to the Healthy Eating task via the "Falcons" section of the flexilearning menu in Google Classroom. "Funtime Friday" will move to Thursday, as Newcastle Falcons were not available on Fridays!

Once school is open again to ALL students:

All students should bring their PE kit to school on Thursdays as well as other days when they have PE. All students will work on the Healthy Eating programme as well as having an hour of tag rugby training with the Falcons staff. Being a rugby expert is not required (nor indeed is knowing the rules) but being excited to actually do something with your friends is definitely required.

I have said in previous letters that it is important that we catch up on the learning we have lost in the past twelve months but bringing normal childhoods back is probably more important at this stage. Our work with the Newcastle Falcons helps us on that journey.

Yours faithfully

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Head of School