

Friday 22 May 2020

“Don’t look back – you’re not going that way.”— Mary Engelbreit (Artist and Illustrator)

Dear Blackfen students

Half term has arrived. Fabulous! Your chance to relax after the last 6 weeks of work. A pause in your journey but not a time to go backwards and not a time to look back. Why? Because we are not going backwards, we are going forwards. If we stop for too long we become rusty and find it a struggle to get going again. However, if you rest for a time, replenish and restore your mental and physical energy levels and refocus, then you are ready to get going again and you will be stronger for it from 1 June.

So pause a while, focus on the present and don’t look back at the past for you cannot change the past and can only change the future pathway.

Thank you for all the wonderful messages that you have sent in to school this week. I wrote to your parents/carers yesterday about the next half term and the plans to open schools to more students. This will be for year 10 and 12 students with a very tentative start date of 8 June but nothing is confirmed yet. Over the coming weeks we will be working on getting the school ready for this and I will write to you after half term once we have some final decisions and direction.

I hope that you have a good week with no backward steps!
With my best wishes to you and your family.

Matthew Brown