

## **Hello everyone**

Firstly, I wanted to tell you how well all of young adults have started the new term. I am truly impressed by the attitude of all the students and the maturity they have already shown, accepting changes. The Year 12 students are enthusiastic and enjoying their different environment and this is always supported by the Year 13's and 14's.

I have a feeling this is going to be an exciting & a great year in FE!!

Next, is our attention on you. Our experience of supporting students over the lockdowns has highlighted the truly positive relationships we have with you. I intend to build on that.

Thank you for those who joined the remote meeting this week, there are lots of good points I want to share. The plan for next half term is to arrange a coffee morning or something similar. In the meantime, if you have any questions, suggestions or offers of support – please get in touch.

kindest regards,

**Gareth Court**  
Head of FE



## **Q&A**

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## **MONEY MATTERS**

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## **Independence**

We welcome contributions of bread, butter, sandwich fillings, microwavable meals...

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## **Contact Us**

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## **Calendar**

Macmillan coffee morning – 24<sup>th</sup> September (FE)

Remembrance Day - 11<sup>th</sup> November

Children in Need - 12<sup>th</sup> November

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Winter lights - 8<sup>th</sup> December

Shoe box appeal

Harvest festival - Crawley open house

Next Steps event – Spring (tbc)

## **Hello to our FE families, parents & Carers**

*I hope everyone is keeping safe and healthy and looking forward to the festive break at the college. It has been a long term, with its changes and challenges, but I and the FE team are immensely proud of the students. Their resilience and determination is always an inspiration to us!*

*After the opportunity to meet as a group remotely, in the previous half term, I was optimistic to hold a face to face event (like a coffee morning) in FE. However, it has been a huge privilege to be part of Annual Review meetings and "Thank you" for your efforts and your feedback. Part of our ability to provide consistent levels of care & learning is the fantastic communication we have with you.*

*The two activity weeks in partnership with The National Citizenship Service (NCS), was a new project for FE and this group of students are the first in the college to participate. Overall, it was a success and the NCS supports our aims by offering activities and opportunity outside the college offer. This was also all free of charge. I will be liaising with NCS about future projects.*

*On behalf of the FE staff, please enjoy the holidays and we look forward to a even better 2022!*

*Bests wishes,*

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