

Message from Mr Maltby

4th February 2022



Good morning,

As we come to the close of another week, I do want to take this opportunity to publicly thank all my work colleagues for their incredible work and support at this challenging time. Our school is continuing to rise to the current challenge. However, this would not be possible without the collaborative and supportive culture which defines our school community. Holbrook has a very special and unique feel to it; one which was present long before I arrived and, I am sure, will continue long after my current stewardship. I think the size of our school nurtures camaraderie and a more personable approach and this has been an essential aspect of how we have been managing together over these past few weeks.

My conversations with Year 9 students this week about their option choices have been an absolute joy - and will conclude next week. When I hear our students speak about their future lives it continues to energise me and to make me hopeful. I think, perhaps, we should have a sign above our school entrance which reads "what happens here today will change the world tomorrow" for surely the point of education is to build communities and create a better future for all our young people?

So, as we continue to navigate the current situation as a school community, we should never lose focus on the future hope that all our students embody.

I wish you all a safe and happy weekend,

Tom Maltby
Headteacher