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### Lockdown Learning at Haileybury Turnford

Students and staff have been working together remotely since the current lockdown began in January, with only a small number of students working in school. “What has been achieved by our students is quite remarkable”, commented Robin Newman, Principal. Students have been accessing lessons following their normal timetable, using their IT devices, and our staff have continued to show real care and commitment to ensure learning continues effectively during this period.

“Students who did not have their own IT devices during last year’s lockdown have been provided with devices to support their learning, and very strong attendance at lessons. In addition to devices provided by the government, we raised over £5,000 from our community fundraising campaign for IT devices, making a real difference to many HT students”, commented Robin Newman, Principal.

Haileybury Turnford has been so pleased with the feedback they have received from families. Examples of feedback have included *I appreciate all of the support Haileybury Turnford has given for my child. I work for the NHS and I know how hard it has been during these times. I want to say thank you to the school and you have looked after my son and supported his learning when I had to go to work.*

“Students have participated in lessons across the whole curriculum throughout this period of remote learning, with additional opportunities such as our recent HT Challenge Day too, which encouraged students to carry out activities away from their screens, to ensure we continue to be mindful of supporting the mental health and wellbeing of our students”, said Maxine Goodes, Vice Principal.

Robin Newman added “Despite this period of remote learning, we cannot wait to have all our students and staff back at school again once national restrictions are eased, and schools re-open for all.”