



16 July 2020

Dear Parent/Carer, Assalamu Alaikum (may peace be upon you),

I pray you and your family are well and safe.

I would like to thank all of our young men for taking part in the Digital Learning during the unprecedented Pandemic, I would like to go further and offer my appreciation to all the parents/carers who have continuously supported the school throughout this period. You have ensured that your son was engaging in the online learning and was on time to each of his digital lessons. Without your continued support, as a school we would not have been able to reduce or minimise the loss of learning during the pandemic. For those students who did not have a device, as a parent you have supported the school by getting your son to complete the work in the work packs provided.

I am very humbled and proud of all of my committed team at TIBHS for their valiant efforts during this period. The way the staff had to work transformed overnight. The transition from teaching face to face to online, whilst not easy, was something they took into their stride. Throughout this period if I was to mention that the lessons have continued, assessments have taken place, attendance and pastoral checks have been adhered to, assemblies and individual pupil passports completed. Milestones which when planning were considered to be ambitious and possibly unrealistic, by the grace of the Almighty all worked out the way I intended.

The school will open on **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020** from **7.50am until 3.00pm** for all Year 7 pupils. In order to get your son ready for school with the new arrangements a transition induction day for all current Year 7 pupil will take place on **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August** in the afternoon. Details regarding transition day will be sent over the coming weeks.

I will also be sending further details with regards to the logistical operational side over the coming weeks, as the new normal is very different as to what they left in March. For example, they will be taught in Year group bubbles in one location throughout the day. Your support in this is greatly appreciated.

There will also be assessment weeks for Year 7 taking place week commencing **21<sup>st</sup> September 2020** for two weeks. All subject will be assessed and the content will include what has been covered over the pandemic period. This will give the school a true accurate reflection of content covered so that the school can plan any recap work if necessary. I advise the following tips for all pupils:

- Pupils recap over their learning
- Use work packs and watch the videos on Teams
- Spend 1 and half to 2 hours per subject per week over the holiday period.

We thank you in advance for your help in this matter and would like to take this opportunity to wish you a happy and relaxing summer.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Ditta

Principal

