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Dear Parents/Guardians,

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – SCHOOL UPDATES FOR TERM 3 AY 2020-2021

I remain positive and pleased that everyone is back in school and continues to remain safe and well. As we start the new term, we continue to plan for, and react to many difference and often challenging scenarios. Allow me to welcome everyone back and update parents and students on some of the items of interest for this term.

May I also wish everyone fasting in this ninth month of the Islamic calendar, Ramadan Mubarak.

MIGS Curriculum & school life

As we continue an extended period of Face to Face learning from the school campus, additional activities in line with the current guidelines will hopefully start to safely emerge during this term. However, allow me to reassure parents as much as is possible, that the school remains cleansed and continues to follow the SOPS in place.

As Physical Education classes continue to feature individual activities, we are hoping to plan a distanced House cross country event towards the end of this term.

School Uniform

I mentioned in my last message that as we return in April, our usual requirements for school uniform and student appearance will return. Please remind your sons and daughters, as we will here at school of the expectations. For continued safety and appearance students must ensure they tie long hair back and keep things as neat as possible under the current circumstances.

Year 11 IGCSE examinations

The examinations series is upon us and I am sure many of our students benefited from the structured revision classes completed during the break. Year 11 classes continue with the usual timetabled classes until the 29th of April. Study leave will be in place from the 3rd of May, however; Year 11 are certainly encouraged to come to school to study or seek final advice and guidance from staff. A separate IGCSE reference section is available on the Parent Portal.

School Assessments, Reports and Parent Teacher Conferences

It was as pleasing as always to see many parents able to speak with staff regarding the progress of their sons and daughters during the recent conferences. School reports for this term will feature the usual end of year assessments and targets for next term. Some additional standalone assessments, that will not directly contribute to the overall grades/judgements, will be utilised for our students in Years 6,7,8 & 9, completing CAIE progression tests in addition to our usual internal assessments. These are currently scheduled to take place in June and more information and any preparations will be shared by form tutors and subject teachers in due course.



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Year 9 IGCSE options

I met with our Year 9 students this week to discuss their subject selections and courses available as they progress into Year 10 to commence IGCSE courses. A maturing and thoughtful Year group, who I am sure have been discussing initial plans with parents already. As the campus remains fairly restricted at this time, I will offer a Year 9 parents Zoom session over the next few weeks to go over any items of concern. For information on courses and a general guideline, please refer to the **Year 9 options section** of the Parent Portal, where information will be available from next week. The students have also recently received a google form to assist in the selection process and enable the school to begin to build the options timetables.

Parent Portal

Please do continue to refer to the parent's portal for any updates, there is information regarding examinations and any updated term dates alongside some guidance for Covid-19 prevention responses. As information, advice or practices change, updates will be posted on this portal.

I am sure we have all kept as up to date as is possible on the latest Covid-19 information and advice. If at any time we are directed to close a particular class, a year level or indeed the whole campus, we will utilize the remote learning platforms as appropriate.

Best regards,

JOHN P BIRCH
Principal