

17th July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: END OF TERM LETTER – YEAR 7, 8, 9 & 10

I would like to begin this letter by saying how excited we all are about having your children back with us from August 18th. We are very proud of all of their achievements across this academic year, whether that was when they were in school or working remotely at home. If you have not had the opportunity to review our final assembly of the year with your child, we have made this available for parents and carers to view [here](#). The assembly features a quick round-up of the year followed by some ideas of what to do over the summer, a summary of the results of our virtual sports event, and finally, the truly amazing CTS Virtual Choir performance.

Teaching staff have been working hard to devise a programme of reconnection for all students in our cohort, and I have enclosed an overview of how Corby Technical School will be approaching the curriculum and learning in the new academic year. Please note that the enclosed leaflet is specific to your child's particular year group.

As you know the school is set to re-open on Tuesday 18th August for all of our existing students. In our recent correspondence we informed you that we will write to you during the w/c 10th August with a full outline of all of our plans once we have completed all of our risk assessments. At that time, we will be providing you and your children with some comprehensive information about all aspects of our operation. For now, I would like to take this opportunity to update you on some details of the plan that I feel are necessary to share in advance so that children are fully prepared for their return:

- For most lessons, students will be working in a year group zone with the other students in their cohort. Students will not be using lockers so it is important that they have a bag to carry their stationery, PE kit, books, lunch and other items in.
- School uniform will be worn by all students. Please use our uniform page if you need to purchase additional uniform and PE kit.
- It has always been our expectation that students bring their own stationery to school. As a minimum they will require 2 black pens, a pencil, rubber, and a ruler. Again, we have always expected students to have their own scientific calculator and we would very much appreciate that all students from August bring one into school. The Maths department recommend the **Casio fx-83GT**. Sharing or borrowing equipment in this new way of working is a challenge so it is important that students are prepared with their own equipment.

Please can I also remind you that appointments are available to meet online with tutors for students in Year 7 – 9, and curriculum appointments are available for Year 10 students with Mrs Arnold. We are very keen to engage with you at the start of the year so that we can put the best support in place for your child. Please book these appointments using our [parents evening system](#) using your individual login code that we sent to you earlier this week. We have received many bookings and are aiming for a 100% engagement rate with parents.

Over the summer, please use our enquiries e-mail address for any correspondence (enquiries@corbytechnicalschool.org). This will be monitored by staff on most days throughout this 4-week period.

I wish you and your family a restful and safe summer break.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs A Reynolds
Principal