

20th April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: Corby Technical School Facebook page

I am delighted to share that we will be launching a Corby Technical School Facebook page today to sit alongside our current Twitter page (@CTSCorby).

Following feedback from the Parental Communications survey, we realised that for many of you Facebook is a more accessible and more frequently utilised platform than Twitter. We are very proud of the many achievements of our students from across the school every week, and are keen to share these with the community, and we believe our Facebook page should enhance our ability to do this further.

The Facebook page will be an area of celebration where we can share and recognise the innovative learning that takes place in our school, so you can see more of what your children achieve during the school hours and beyond. This will be a public page which means it can be seen by all members of the school community and the public. It is therefore important that we all respect the need for maintaining a positive space that our students and the wider school community can be proud of. Our hope is that this page is supportive, celebratory and reflective of our motivational ethos that we uphold within school.

The Brooke Weston Trust have published policies relating to [Acceptable use of IT](#) which includes a young person's agreement, as well as an [Online Safety Policy](#) to give guidance on what you can do to keep yourselves and your children safe online. Further to the policies, may I take this opportunity to remind you that we have subscribed to the National Online Safety website which has extensive resources including factsheets and online courses for parents/carers to complete in order to keep up to date with the rapidly changing world of online platforms. I have attached with the letter a resource from the site entitled '*What parents need to know about Facebook*' but additional information can be found on the site relating to social media in general. Please click [here](#) if you would like to create an account to access these resources.

Please note that, similar to our Twitter page, this is a broadcast only account. Therefore, we are unlikely to respond to queries posted on the page or sent via messenger. Please continue to use our email address (enquiries@corbytechnicalschool.org) which we monitor frequently to respond to questions in a timely manner. Please note that reminders will still be published via email and text message, and these will remain the predominant format for announcements.

If you are a Facebook user, we encourage you to follow our page by searching "Corby Technical School" and liking the page from today.

Yours sincerely,



Angela Reynolds
Principal