

Not quite 'back to school', but 'back to HBL!' This email is a little long, but I include a lot of important information regarding term 4. Please read all sections carefully. Due to the ongoing developments with the Corona virus, we have prepared the information below based on the likely event that we do not return to the campus this academic year.

### **HBL Term 4**

We will continue with the same structure as we used before the holiday. Every student must be present according to the lessons on their timetable, and access the Google Hangouts Meet link.

We will be making some improvements based on teachers sharing their best practise, and from student and parent feedback:

- Teachers will not only set work based on computers, but also some tasks on paper / exercise books - students can Camscan and upload for feedback.
- Group working and discussion work via Meets - we can group students and give them their own video link for each group when appropriate. Students let us know they miss discussion and working with their friends. This will also improve learning.
- All teachers have access to writing pads so they can annotate over any presentations they use for teaching - students let us know the best lessons were when teachers did this.

### **Class 8 Checkpoint**

We received some Checkpoint exam papers. If we gain clearance from Cambridge that we can use these, we plan to set a date to upload 1 exam per subject (English, Maths, Science) at a given time on a specific day and we will oversee the completion via Google Hangout Meets. This will likely be in the week starting Monday 3rd May.

### **Classes 10/11/12**

We will continue to teach and revise the Cambridge courses for the first 4 weeks of term 4 to enable students to 'peak' their skills and allow us to continue evidence gathering; short timed assignments or further tests may be set by subjects over these 4 weeks. We are working on providing further information on this.

Week 5 onwards:

Week 5 (from Monday 4th May) will be a 'reading week' where Class 10/11/12 are set tasks by their teachers. There will be no lessons for Class 10/11/12. These tasks will be in preparation for moving on to AS Level, A Level,

or University (as detailed below). Teachers will use this week to compile the final evidence for Cambridge.

Class 10 will move to studying their AS Level courses - they will attend their timetabled lessons, but only for the subjects they have chosen for AS (plus PE). We will send further information on accessing textbooks for the AS Level courses.

Class 11 will move to studying their A Level courses - they will attend their timetabled lessons, but only for the subjects they have chosen for A Level (plus PE). We will send further information on accessing textbooks for the A Level courses. Double Award will continue as normal.

Class 12 will either continue to finish the Cambridge courses, or be set further in depth work and projects based on developing skills for university. We will also set some online courses based on developing skills for careers or university study - students will have a choice here. More details will follow soon.

For any further questions, I will be providing two Question and Answer sessions for parents and students on Monday 6th April. Please use the links below at the applicable times and have your camera and microphone off. You can use the chat function to ask questions.

12.30 - 13.00 [meet.google.com/bsw-tbvb-ppz](https://meet.google.com/bsw-tbvb-ppz)

15.00 - 15.30 [meet.google.com/boh-gtjm-zni](https://meet.google.com/boh-gtjm-zni)

### **Attendance**

Another reminder that attendance is important - Class 12 must maintain above 90% attendance to receive their Graduation certificates.

### **Semester 2 Reports**

These reports will be on Engage portals on 12th June as normal. Class 6-9 receive full reports. For Class 10-12 we re-produce the term 3 report, labelled as Semester 2 for admin purposes - our teachers already made in depth report comments in term 3. Attendance however will be updated.

### **Various learning resources which are now free:**

Cambridge and other publisher's books for free (Dyatmika book lists are on Engage parent portal in 'documents' on the homepage):

<https://www.cambridgeinternational.org/support-and-training-for-schools/endorsed-resources/publishers/publishing-to-support-schools/>

Young person's Newspapers (6 weeks free):

<https://schools.firstnews.co.uk/products/ihub/>

<https://ihub.firstnews.co.uk/six-week-trial>

Reading resources and activities (Classes 6-9):

[https://literacytrust.org.uk/family-zone/?mc\\_cid=1a89f05f20&mc\\_eid=64bd200537](https://literacytrust.org.uk/family-zone/?mc_cid=1a89f05f20&mc_eid=64bd200537)

Internet archive:

<https://archive.org/details/nationalemergencylibrary?tab=collection>

Amazon Kindle Unlimited - free for 2 months

Free books and audio books: <https://stories.audible.com/>

<https://www.coursera.org/> - opened courses for free

Khan academy - always free!

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