

ABBEY **COMMUNITY** COLLEGE

27 March 2020

Dear Year 13 Student

I hope this letter finds you and your family well in these exceptional circumstances.

You will already be aware that we made the decision on Monday evening to close our school for the foreseeable future to keep everyone in our school family safe. While the doors to our buildings are closed, staff continue to be available to support you with your online learning. Please do not hesitate to email us if you need help or support of any kind.

I understand that you may be worried about some of your results and predicted grades for the summer. I want to reassure you that we are keeping in touch with all the examination boards and acting on their instructions. Staff will be in touch with you as further exam board guidance is made known to us. We will do everything that we can to make sure you get the results you deserve. Please make sure that you keep up with all your work at home, store it safely, either online or as a paper copy.

I also encourage you to do some daily exercise from 9 – 9.30am by linking with Joe Wicks, The Body Coach, on his **YouTube** channel **The Body Coach TV.** Its really good, I'm even doing it myself to try to try to stay fit!

Over the course of the year I have been so impressed with the way that you have made the transition into Sixth Form and leadership and maturity you have shown in so many aspects of school life as senior students:

- Some of you have become Prefects and Mentors
- Your key role in Student Council
- Your involvement in so many school activities and events such as bun sales and the Children in Need Leg Wax
- You embraced the spirit of Valentine's Day with the sale and distribution of roses to students and staff
- A team of you worked really hard on the refurbishment of the Common Room
- The support some of you gave with primary school visits and Open Evening was fantastic and greatly appreciated



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As your Year 13 has come to a strange and unexpected end, I want to you know that when this deadly virus passes we will come together again as the Abbey family and continue to work and learn together.

Mrs Fulton will be making arrangements for the appointment of the Head and Deputy Head Boy and Girl in due course.

As you have heard on all media outlets in the last few days please pay attention to the advice to STAY AT HOME. Look after one another, help out at home, I'm sure there are lots of jobs you can do and keep safe.

Yours sincerely

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