

05th May, 2020

Greetings to the Clark house parents, guardians and boys,

I hope that you are all soaking up the lovely autumn sun we have been blessed with of late. I believe that the key during this challenging time, is to try and find the positives, and really make the most of the them. The world is throwing negatives and uncertainty at us all the time. Joshua 1 vs 9 says "Be bold, be strong for the Lord your God is with you". I am not sure if you are a believer or not, so I'm not sure where you place your faith and hope right now, but I really want to encourage you to look to our Heavenly Father. Who loves us dearly, who wants to prosper us and not to harm us, who want us to have life in abundance. There are so many words of upliftment and promises of good things in store. I have found great comfort in spending time in His word and in prayer during this lockdown period. And this is but a season that we must use to grow in. Now I know that you must all be feeling very despondent and frustrated, not only from an academic point of view but from a sporting point of view. Most of the winter sports season, we have lost, if not all of it, to this Covid virus. For you boys, I'm sure you have all been in contact with each other through different social media platforms. And you must be so looking forward to being back together again, laughing and sharing stories. I want to tell you that this place is not the same without you-never thought I would say this, but I am missing you, and the energy you bring to the campus, not to mention the house. You all remember those old stories about the house...well let me tell you my imagination has been playing games with me. So hang in there, make the most of this time with your family- help with the housework where you can, cook the odd meal (learn to cook if you can't, believe me your future wife will be grateful for that). And soon enough we will all be back together again, in a whole new world, as stronger people.

Keep safe and God bless,

Mr Barbour – Head of Clark House

God bless, Ron Barbour Clark House Housemaster