

Dear Elliott House parent

05th May, 2020

This letter serves as a means of encouragement to boys and parents alike. We have never been challenged physically, emotionally and psychologically as we have been in the last two months or so. We would like to reassure you that we have our boarders' best interests at heart and we will at all times do everything in our power to create a safe learning environment for them and that their wellbeing is of the highest priority to us.

In the last couple of days' internal meetings regarding the phasing in of boys coming back to school with the relevant stakeholders at College have taken place and they have been very fruitful. We will continually strive to meet the necessary safety requirements outlined by our government to ensure the safety of our boarders. Many precautionary regulations and permutations will be put into place and we as educators will also be trained to deal with the COVID-19 virus in a teaching environment. We are anticipating communication from the authorities in due course where timelines regarding the abovementioned will be stipulated.

To our 6th Form boarders I would like to reassure you that we are doing as much as possible to make sure that you will be academically well prepared for your final exams this year. Upon your return the environment that you are used to might seem very unfamiliar as we are crossing uncharted territory in terms of the COVID-19 Crisis. Even though it may not feel like a normal school year I can safely say that we as the Elliott House boarder masters are very much looking forward to the return of our boys and I can guarantee that they will walk the extra mile to make 2020 a memorable year for each and every 6th form boy.

We would like to encourage you as our parents as well as our boarders to stay motivated in this time and to not be disheartened by what has happened this year. We have hope that whichever obstacles will be in our way in the coming weeks, that we shall together find ways to make it work for us. We are relying on our boys' famous resilience they always display in trying times and we would like our parents to permeate these same characteristics as they will be looking to you for guidance. May you and your families be safe and hopeful that all is not lost, and that we will overcome the challenges ahead of us.

Best Wishes

Mr C Fraser – Head of Elliott House