



4 March 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians

I hope that you are well.

TeamBede's are delighted with the return to school on 8 March. For the remaining three weeks of the spring term we have planned a wonderful internal programme of sport through the normal activities and games programme. Pupils will have the opportunity to sign up for these. We have, of course, stuck rigidly to all safety protocols and reduced off-site travel where possible. Whilst there will be no fixtures for the remainder of this term, we hope that these will be possible (in some capacity) during the summer term. Undoubtedly, there will be some restrictions with which we will update you in due course.

I would like to draw your attention to the Saturday morning sports programme for the remainder of this term. Primarily it will take place outdoors and in order to plan staffing and minimise risk, we ask that Prep School pupils sign up for both weekends by 9 March. In respect of the Senior School Saturday morning sports programme, pupils will be emailed directly and asked to sign up by Wednesday for the following Saturday. It is important they do this to reserve a slot. The programme and Prep School sign up can be found [Here](#).

The April pre-season plan is also available and can be viewed [Here](#). We ask that pupils sign up (both Prep and Senior) by 17 March.

We continue to have a genuine concern regarding the sharing of sporting equipment, and, next term this is a particular worry with regards to Cricket. Therefore if pupils wish to take part in hardball cricket they should have their own batting gloves and helmet as a minimum. The core games programme for the First Year pupils will recommence on Wednesday 10 March and all pupils with cricket equipment should bring it in on that day. At the Prep School, as previously mentioned girls (Years 3 - 8) will primarily be taking part in football. It is not essential to have boots, however it would be beneficial. The boys will predominantly be doing hockey for which they will require a gumshield, and we ask that both boys and girls have shinpads.

We look forward to a wonderful three weeks of sport, the forthcoming pre-season and summer term.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'David Byrne'.

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