## Dear Parents and Carers,

As we become more accustomed to our new reality and try to navigate a path that works for teachers, staff and parents we want to stop and take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support over the last two weeks.

It is not lost on us that Year 11 has been hugely impacted and there is still little clarity - we wait week by week. We have said it before but will do so again, as soon as we are informed - we will be share key messages and our plan of action as well as try and allay any fears both you and your young people may have, until then we wait.

In preparation for after Easter I want to give you an update on a new transition 'Bridge to Post 16 Programme' we have been working on that will be ready to launch after Easter. It has been an exciting but huge task - teachers have been putting together brand new materials and Xaverian College, who are working in close partnership with us, have added their expertise and given us access to resources which will benefit all regardless of their final choice of college. These invaluable resources will allow students to complete relevant and very useful preparatory work for a wide range of post 16 courses as well as continue to develop their wider skill set.

As we move into the Easter holidays we hope you have time to relax and take a break. Along with the rest of the school Year 11 will be encouraged to lessen their work load and focus on well-being and doing more of the things they love and feel inspired by - in the house!

We have also started up a school YouTube channel which is continuously being updated with the new content, do check it out. The channel can be found by searching Chorlton High School or using the following link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCveVA560FkaYWM8G5DfBf2O

## Year group assemblies

The year teams have been hard at work and have recorded year group assemblies where students will receive some really important messages and see some very familiar faces. These assemblies can be accessed by searching Chorlton High School Pastoral on YouTube. Alternatively, students can use the following link to go to the assemblies: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCj4S1nf0BWnMfdGHlW3GHAA/videos?disable\_polymer=1

Finally, if you are worried about something or need some support for your child, your family or yourself there are lots of ways you can access support during school closure. Please see the 'Stay Safe – Family Support' sheet for advice and information about where to go for help.

We are also aware that as children are spending more time accessing learning via the internet it is important that you are monitoring their internet use and ensuring that they are safe online. The sheet includes a link to a useful website. We have also enclosed a handy sheet to point you in the right direction.

Once again thank you for support, stay safe and stay well

Kind regards, Chorlton High School