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Log off and Learn Day-12th February 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Firstly, we would like to congratulate our student community for the way they have risen to the demands of a remote online curriculum. They have worked so hard in the the most challenging of circumstances and we are very proud of them all.

However, these achievements have inevitably led to a significant increase in screen time. This is not an issue unique to Corby Business Academy, but one the educational profession is facing nationally. Whilst our approach to remote learning is blended and broad, we know excessive screen time can have an impact on student health, wellbeing and motivation. To combat this, we are going to introduce 'Log off and Learn' days, where a selection of activities will provide opportunities to learn in different ways. Our first day will be **Friday 12th February** and we aim to feature similar periods of time into our remote education offer for as long as full school closure is in place.

A timetable for the day, together with choice boards of activities provided by subject specialists can be found on the website via the link below. There is one for Key Stage 3 students (Years 7-9) and one for Key Stage 4 students (Years 10-11). For Key Stage 5 students (Years 12-13), subject teachers will be setting up independent non-screen tasks that are bespoke to their subject pathways.

Your child should follow this timetable for the day and can choose 5 or more activities that encourage reading writing, creativity and physical activity. It must be stressed that this is not a 'day off, but a day away from Teams where students can work at a different pace independently and engage with activities they are passionate about. All materials for the day can be found via the link below and should printed copies be required they can be collected from school before Friday. If your child is currently attending school, they also have an alternative timetable for the day and will be working in a variety of different ways too. These activities will be led by their Head of Year and SLT links. They can also come to school in sportswear and trainers for this day.

<https://www.corbybusinessacademy.org/page/?title=Log+Off+and+Learn+Day&pid=806>

The timetable requires a brief morning tutor slot on teams, so tutors can check in with their students and ensure they have any support they need for the day. It is important they attend to connect and share ideas about the day to support their independent activity.

As you are already aware, we are competing to become cup champions of the lockdown league this week and the active transitions of the day are there to help students log those minutes and contribute to the Academy effort. A reminder that all those minutes can be logged here, and can be logged over the weekend to keep the day as screen free as possible using this link: [Lockdown League | Northamptonshire Sport](#)

We hope this is an active and enjoyable day for all our students and we look forward to seeing pictures of their achievements over the day when they return. These can be emailed to your child's Head of Year and will be shared as part of our pastoral assemblies.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Prior', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mrs K. Prior
Vice Principal – Teaching and Learning