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This email is for parents of students in Preschool to Year 13.

Dear Parents,

I am writing to inform parents that as a school we will not allow the pandemic to impact the learning of our students. We acknowledge the blended learning model has been difficult for many of our students. For some students it has enhanced their educational experience, whilst for others it has been more challenging. At DBS we are committed that 'no student will be left behind' and to this end we will be implementing an additional programme of learning for students to support them in closing any potential learning gaps. Senior staff are working on our 'Extended Learning Programme', the finer details of this DBS initiative will be shared in the final week of this term. For an overview of our 4 phase approach to the 'Extended Learning Programme', click [here](#). I would ask that parents support the school in providing the routines at home that enhance academic success, ensuring students have a quiet place to study and are fully dressed in school uniform for days when they are online.

In addition to the DBS 'Extended Learning Programme' can I also ask parents to spend time at home reading with your children and encourage them to read more frequently. The impact of reading not just on the curriculum but in all aspects of life is so beneficial and one that I would urge all families to do on a regular basis. Last week we celebrated 'World Book Day', with staff sharing their favourite books with students and dressing as their favourite characters. I hope you have had the opportunity to see the wonderful pictures shared on the school's social media platforms. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

As Qatar sees an increase in Covid cases since the turn of the new year, I am again asking for parents to ensure you are extra vigilant with routines in checking the wellbeing of your children and ensuring they are following as best they can all Covid safety measures.

- Checking their temperature before school
- Not sending to school if they are feeling unwell
- Avoiding any unnecessary social gatherings outside of school
- Maintaining social distancing

You may have read in the media, information from the MOPH that all teachers are to receive the vaccine over the next few weeks, to let you know, DBS are fully committed to ensuring all our staff are following the guidelines issued by the ministry. We continue to receive unannounced inspections from the ministry, ensuring our Covid procedures are compliant and remain fit for purpose.

Finally, myself and Mr Shehata (Assistant Headteacher Arabic) were invited to deliver professional development training on the British Curriculum to representatives from the MOEHE. These sessions



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*Our core purpose is that every young person should gain as much as possible from our school,
based on our belief that all learners can, need and want to achieve.*

gave DBS the opportunity to advise leading officials on how a British Curriculum is implemented in schools and was a high accolade indeed that the ministry approached DBS as one of the leading schools in Qatar.

I would like to thank you again for your continued support, the messages of thanks and gratitude from parents are greatly appreciated by all our staff.

Best wishes,

Paul Sherlock
Principal