

Good Afternoon Parents, Carers and Students,

We have completed our first week of full live lessons and I know for many of you has been full of ups and downs. Hopefully, as it is the end of the week, the students have managed to get themselves into a routine where they are following their timetable and accessing their live lessons. As expected, there have been some technical issues which are unfortunately unavoidable, but the students have kept on trying and really shown their resilience in the process.

I would like to say how incredibly proud I am of the year group as a whole. Going into lockdown is never an easy process and on top of that, the students have had to learn a new way of accessing lessons. They have all coped so well this week and have really tried very hard in the lessons. I have had the pleasure of teaching some of them this week and they have been engaged, willing to answer the questions during the lesson and participated throughout. Parents, carers, and students, please congratulate yourselves on how well you have done.

A few notices from me this week:

- **Checking emails** - Please ensure the students check their emails on a daily basis to ensure they have the most up to date lesson on their calendar. I would recommend checking this every morning before school starts in case the teachers have adapted and updated the lesson. This will come through as an email notification and you will need to RSVP or tick yes to attending the lesson.
- **Teams Issues email** - I have set up an email account for parents or students to email in if they are having any technical difficulties, problems with Teams, or concerns about online lessons. Please email year7remotelarning@tbowa.org if you need any assistance and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.
- **Student feedback** - We are asking for student feedback regarding the online lessons. Students will receive an email later today asking them to complete a form with their feedback on. Please encourage the students to check their emails and complete the form as this will help us to improve the remote learning as an academy.

Once again, well done year 7. Please keep up the good work and behaviour online.

As ever, please do not hesitate in contacting me if you have any questions, concerns, or worries. I hope you have a restful weekend.

Kind regards,

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