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Dear Grade 12 Learners

It is the eve of your return to school, from a more than two month Covid-19 lockdown period. I would like to extend a message of welcome and reassurance to each of you as you make your final preparations to return tomorrow, Monday, 8th June 2020.

It is understandable and acceptable to experience fear, anxiety and uncertainty as you strengthen your willpower and shape up physically and mentally to transition back to school with ease and confidence. No doubt, the Coronavirus has upended the dynamics of our lives and stolen away our certainties and freedoms and thus the expectations to come to terms with the new normal is no doubt anxiety provoking for you and your family.

Do not be afraid and too demanding on yourself. Whatever you are feeling is completely justified. Sastri College has taken the responsibility and necessary safety measures to protect you and minimise any risk of you being exposed to the Coronavirus infection. We will together embrace this new unexplored territory as we navigate our return to school through this “new normal.”

Sastri College is committed to the health, safety and wellbeing of all learners, educators and support staff. Our priority is to endeavour the necessary support and assistance to enable you to complete this milestone year with the least amount of challenges. Our new daily safety and preventative measures, to be implemented upon your return, is in keeping with the requirements and prescripts of the Department of Basic Education. It must be noted that the necessary approval for reopening of Sastri College has been granted by the Department of Basic Education, Department of Health, Educator Unions and the School’s Governing Body.

The School Management Team and the School Governing Body look forward to embracing the return of all Grade 12 learners to the “New Normal” school setting. This changed environment, will require the adhering to and practising of extreme caution and safety measures. Notwithstanding the above, robust focus and support will also be prioritised to the continuation and completion of your grade 12 curriculum.

Let’s keep safe, sanitize your hands, complete your health checks, wear a face mask at all times and maintain social distancing as you reintegrate into the Sastri College campus environment

For confidential professional support you may consult with the School Counsellor to ease your transition back to school.

Thank you.

Yours in education.

Mr S. Rajcoomar
Principal