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Remote learning update – use of cameras

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are writing to inform you of an update to our remote learning policy. From Monday 18th January 2021 both staff and students are expected to have their camera's on during live lessons. The benefits of using cameras are:

- Enhancing the sense of connection between the student and teacher
- Increasing a sense of accountability for learning
- Enhancing feedback to both students and staff
- Enabling closer monitoring of learning

The expectation is that all live lessons start and end with cameras on, but depending on the activity a teacher may turn their cameras off to focus on a specific input. Students and staff should follow the same guidelines as outlined below:

- only the student/teacher should be in the cameras view
- backgrounds should be blurred (on an MS Teams call, select more options (three dot icon), background effect, select blur and apply)
- appropriate smart/casual dress to be worn (e.g. plain tops, no logo's, no hoodies)

We have experienced a truly successful start to our remote learning and we want to thank you for your ongoing support in ensuring all students continue to learn and progress.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Crowther-Green
Assistant Principal