

28<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Dear Stakeholders (Learners, Parents/Carers, Apprentices, Employers, Staff and Directors)

## Eid celebrations and confirmation of Eid holiday

LDE UTC has a diverse and multi-cultural community with a significant proportion of learners and staff being Muslim. Therefore, to allow celebrations to take place at home, the college will be closed to all staff and learners for a day of holiday on the day of Eid. For those of you who do not know what Eid is or would like to join in the celebrations with our Muslim colleagues, you can read more information here from BBC Bitesize.

At the time of writing, we do not know yet if Eid will fall on Wednesday 12th May or Thursday 13th May, however, to allow you as much notice as possible we would like to inform you of the arrangements for the day.

We will confirm which of the two days will be Eid and thus a day of holiday celebration for all, via a text message on the evening of the sighting of the crescent moon. Please make sure the college has your updated telephone numbers if you have changed them recently.

Year 11 learners who are due to take teacher assessments on either the 12th or 13th will now take their assessments that would have been on the day of Eid on Monday 17th May.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you Eid Mubarak in preparation for the upcoming Eid celebrations.

Keep safe,

Geoffrey Fowler CEO & Principal