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To: All Heads of College Network and Heads of Primary, Middle and Secondary Schools

(State and Non-State)

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Subject: Teaching in the Digital Age

Heads of School and educators are kindly informed that The Commonwealth of Learning has produced a new <u>12-part video series</u> featuring insights from Dr Tony Bates, renowned leader in the field of online and distance education.

The videos are based on the key ideas discussed in Dr Bates' seminal book <u>Teaching in a Digital</u> <u>Age: Guidelines for Designing Teaching and Learning</u>. Topics range from the choice of teaching methods to ideas on assessment and how to implement online learning to understanding different learner needs and providing targeted supports to the use of emerging technologies, and much more.

The video series aims to become a key resource for educators facing the forced transition to online teaching. This is considered an important time that will lead to a new era because the use of technology is not an option anymore but it has become an essential need for effective teaching and learning. Educators are encouraged to make the best out of this time to learn and increase their confidence in using digital tools to keep on reaping their benefits even after this period that we are going through together.

Thank you,

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