

13 November, 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to advise you of some changes we are making to the way your child will access remote learning with effect from **Monday 16 November**. During the previous closure and across Term 1, we developed a very effective remote learning package for students. We are continuing to build upon this as we receive further guidance from the Department for Education of how we can best support learners in the event of three different scenarios:

- **Scenario 1** Self-isolating - Individual students, partial or year group bubble
- **Scenario 2** Shielding students
- **Scenario 3** School site closure

The most common scenario we are contending with is scenario 1, where individual students have been asked to self-isolate or where we are advised to partially close a year group bubble after conducting track and trace in line with Public Health England requirements.

Scenario 1:

Students in Years 7-11 will access work by following the link to our new Remote Learning Google Platform located on the SBL Student Site: <https://students.sbllearning.org.uk/> A screenshot is included below:



[Remote Learning 2020](#)

If you are self-isolating or otherwise off school then [click here](#) to access your remote learning for all of your subjects

Years 7-9

- In **Years 7-9**, Curriculum Teams have uploaded high quality lessons aligned with the curriculum the students are studying in school to our new Remote Learning platform.
- As the maximum number of days a student should be asked to self-isolate is 14 days, curriculum teams have put together a sequence of lessons to cover the maximum number of lessons a student could miss in their subject over a two week cycle.

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- The lessons are numbered Lesson 1, Lesson 2 etc. and the students can access these lessons through the new Google Platform we have created whenever they self-isolate during the term, completing lessons across their subjects when they are timetabled. For example, they would complete Lesson 1 for English on the first day they are timetabled for English during self-isolation and Lesson 2 the next time they are timetabled for English and so on

Years 10 and 11

- In **Years 10 and 11** – Class teachers will upload their own lessons to our new Remote Learning Google platform whenever they are self-isolating in the term.
- Work will be available 24 hours after the KS4 students have been advised to self-isolate, for example, if the students are told to isolate on Wednesday, work will be available on the Google platform on Friday
- For the first 24 hours, students should access high quality lessons available from [Oak National Academy](#) or other online resources their teachers have advised them to use for their subject. In addition we also have a membership for all students to utilise the benefits of [GCSE Pod](#)

Any individual students in Years 7-11 who exceed this period of self-isolation will move to the **Shielding Plan**

Post-16

- Year 12 and 13 will continue to access remote learning if they are self-isolating through their individual subject Google Classrooms, as this proved to be a successful strategy for post-16 students to access remote learning during the school closure in the last academic year.
- If there is a closure of an entire post-16 class, the group will also have live MS Teams lessons as timetabled by the Director of Post-16

Scenario 2:

- Students who are shielding in Years 7-11 will have lessons, projects and coursework tasks (as appropriate) uploaded to Insight by their individual teachers as this will enable the teacher to ensure they can provide personalised instruction for students shielding for an extended period of time
- If individual students are shielding or self-isolating for an extended period of time, we will provide some additional recorded lessons and some 'live' lessons through MS Teams
- Post-16 - Students will be sent online learning by their subject teacher in the subject Google Classroom and will have live MS Teams tutorials as timetabled by the Director of Post-16
- If the entire post-16 class also self-isolate, they will also access a live MS Teams lesson
- Students in Years 7-13 will return completed work to their teachers by email or through other online platforms agreed with individual staff such as Google Classroom in order to receive feedback

Scenario 3:

- In the event of a school site closure, students should use [BBC Bitesize Daily Lessons](#) (Years 7-9) or [Oak National Academy](#) (Years 7-11) for the first 24 hours before SBL lessons are uploaded to our new Remote Learning platform for Years 7-11.
- If the site closure exceeds 7 days, the first lesson in a sequence of learning and the feedback lesson will include a recorded presentation
- If the site closure exceeds 14 days, we will endeavour to timetable some live lessons for students across Years 7-11
- If the site closure exceeds 14 days, we will reinstate fortnightly Learning Checks using Google Forms across all subjects in Years 7-11 to ensure students receive feedback on their remote learning
- Post-16 students will continue to be sent online learning by their subject teacher in the subject Google Classroom and will access live MS Teams lessons as timetabled by the Director of Post-16

If a child is awaiting the result of a COVID-19 test, they should initially access remote education by engaging in work across their subjects on [BBC Bitesize Daily Lessons](#) or [Oak National Academy](#) websites. If we are notified of a positive test we will then provide remote learning for the student[s] through the processes outlined in this letter.

Finally, we have previously conducted an audit to confirm all students can access online learning at home, however, if there is any reason your child is unable to do so, please contact the school and your query will be passed to the relevant year team.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss any aspect of remote learning in more detail.

Yours faithfully



Ms K Deady

Vice Principal