

5th January 2021

Dear Parents & Carers,

We live in incredibly strange and challenging times. When I accepted the role of Executive Headteacher for Cleeve Park and Cleeve Meadow, I did not expect my second day to involve keeping the vast majority of students at home. However, as we find ourselves in these unprecedented times, it is important for us all to follow the guidance that is coming from the Government.

One of my first tasks for both schools was to ensure that the online learning provision that is in place is of the highest quality. We have reviewed the offer and the expectations that I have for students and staff. I fully appreciate that for many parents, juggling home learning alongside their own work demands is hard, therefore work set should be fully achievable without the support of parents. Of course, if there are issues or problems, then we are on hand to support and solve issues.

As we are now in this second lockdown period, we must ensure that the educational impact of this on our young people is kept to a minimum. Regardless of what the public exam situation may evolve to be, the reality is that our young people will still require skills and knowledge long after this pandemic is over. Therefore, I am appealing to you to encourage and support your child to log on daily to the Google classroom. There is a very clear, consistent format where work is laid out, showing instructional videos from our teachers, tasks to be completed and a weekly assessment. There is also a timetable where staff are available to support students in a Q&A chat room via the Google Classroom (See table below)

- Learning will consist of 4 different platforms:
 - Independent learning,
 - Directed learning (Pre-filmed introductions),
 - Live Learning
 - Feedback
- Pre-recorded introductions allow students to study around their homelife schedules (for example, issues with shared lap-tops with siblings)
- Student progress will be measured by pre-identified assessment pieces - these will be teacher assessed (rather than the smaller quizzes/tasks)
- All students will receive feedback on their assessment pieces via an emailed Whole Class Feedback Form within one week of completing their assessments
- Staff will be completing an engagement tracker that will identify not only those students who have not been engaging in work but those that are excelling.

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		1.30- 2pm	2pm- 2.30pm	2.30- 3pm	3- 3.30pm
Mon	Yr 7-8	TECH			
	Yr 9-10		TECH	BUSINESS	
	Yr 11	BUSINESS		TECH	
Tues	Yr 7-8	PE	MFL	COMP SC	
	Yr 9-10	MFL	COMP SCI	PE	
	Yr 11	COMP SCI	PE	MFL	
Wed	Yr 7-8	Eng	Maths	Science	
	Yr 9-10	Science	Eng	Maths	Child Dev
	Yr 11	Maths	Science	Eng	
Thurs	Yr 7-8	His	RS	Geog	
	Yr 9-10	Geog	HIS	RS	
	Yr 11	RS	Geog	His	
Fri	Yr 7-8	Drama	Music	Art	
	Yr 9-10	Art	Drama	Music	
	Yr 11	Music	Art	Drama	

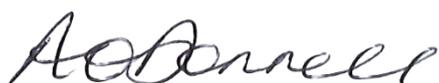
We are increasingly aware of the challenges around mental health and wellbeing. I have asked the Heads of Year to develop a schedule of support and to monitor the safeguarding and wellbeing of young people. We will be making regular phone calls home.

You may have heard that GCSEs and A-Levels have been cancelled this year. However, Year 11 and Year 13 students will still be assessed, though we do not yet know how. It is therefore more important than ever that our exam group students remain engaged with learning so that we build a portfolio of evidence for each student to support whatever method is outlined by the Department for Education.

I absolutely share your disappointment that we have not been able to return our school to its normal happy thriving place for all pupils and understand the challenges that families will face during this second lockdown. Rest assured we will do all we can to provide a meaningful and supportive experience for your child through this lockdown and look forward to returning to normal as soon as we can.

I look forward to a time when I can meet you in person and take Cleeve Park School forward in providing outstanding education for your children.

Yours faithfully,



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