

11th January 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Remote learning from home

We hope that you and your families are currently safe and well.

We have had a positive first few days with our students accessing remote learning from home. Pastoral teams are monitoring attendance at 'live lessons' and following up any areas where students are having difficulties.

Those of you who are critical workers or have a child who is classed as vulnerable by the DfE and are sending them into the Academy, are accessing their online learning well in the building - through Satchel One and MS Teams. We added staffing capacity at the end of last week to resolve remaining password/access issues from home. Please do inform us if your child still has access difficulties or if your child does not have access to online learning, through your child's Head of Year, as we are able to provide support.

Thank you for your support for our online provision, we have had some very positive feedback via email and our social media platforms. Please also let us know if there are any problems as we would like to resolve these as soon as possible.

We have circulated updated expectations regarding online learning to students and staff. I include links to them below. **May I please I ask that you emphasise expectations of online conduct to avoid any problems or difficulties?**

AHA Reminder- expectations for online learning. You MUST:

- log in promptly before the scheduled start of a lesson;
- complete any preparation/pre-session tasks;
- always have your microphone muted unless directed;
- always have your webcam OFF;
- NEVER share the invite link to a lesson with others;
- ensure that you are in a space that enables you to concentrate so that you are not distracted;
- only use technology to support effective delivery/participation in the session;
- only post comments appropriate to the lesson e.g. a question about learning. Language used should always be polite and respectful in the message/chat facility;
- only communicate using the software in ways that are appropriate or necessary: e.g. not sending an animated GIF;
- use your Academy email-address;
- be consistently courteous and respectful to everyone. *Note: The Academy reserves the right to record sessions that may be used to follow up any disciplinary matters*

The updated **behaviour addendum** is here for your reference:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1CNAWR8PP5cdHPI2orbDI3fC6Nbo3lcr9/view?usp=sharing>

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This does not replace our behaviour policy but is an addition to specify expectations during the latest wave of the pandemic. Also, here is the **summary of expectations of behaviour** when online:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1d8K-99REF4joE_yNwgBq9EM4VOnoUfoG/view?usp=sharing .

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any additional support as we would be extremely happy to help.

Kind regards,

Steve Taylor
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