

Dear parent/ carer,

As you may be aware, schools are required to have a remote learning plan in place so that any child who cannot attend school because of COVID-19 does not miss out on their learning.

This letter explains our plans for remote learning for Key Stage 5 students who have to self-isolate, or where local or national restrictions mean that students need to stay at home.

Our plan for Remote Learning has been written following the DfE guidance for remote learning.

Our remote learning plan:

Our remote learning plan has been made with our students and their families in mind. We believe that this strategy will work best for the children at our school.

A summary of our remote learning plan is below. Specific plans may differ depending on the subject. Where this is the case, teachers will be in touch with more information.

- All work will be set by the student's teacher on Satchel One (Show My Homework) or on Microsoft Teams in line with our 2for1 homework policy.
- Where possible, KS5 students who are self-isolating can participate in live online lessons via Microsoft Teams. If you do not consent to your student participating in these live lessons then please notify ehayman@stahigh.org
- The timings of live lessons mirror the normal school timetable for every student. A copy of this timetable will be emailed to parents/carers if needed. Students should login to these lessons on time as per the normal lesson cycle
- Feedback for students remains consistent with our school marking policy while students are unable to attend school
- Please see the attached document if you need to help your child login to Microsoft Teams

What we expect from your child

It's important that your child engages with home learning and keeps to their timetable as much as possible.

If they aren't engaging with the learning, we'll use the following strategies to provide additional support:

- Phone call home
- Increased feedback

What you can do to help

We appreciate that if this situation arises, it may present some challenges for you. We kindly ask for your support so that we can continue to provide high-quality education for your child during this time.

Our top tips for parents of self-isolating students are:

- Try to encourage your child to be ready and dressed for the start of the school day, and to keep to their timetable
- Distinguish between weekdays and weekends, and make it clear when the school day is over, to separate home and school life
- Plan breaks and exercise into the day to help keep your child active

Please keep in touch with us and do let us know if you're having any difficulties with remote learning, or if you have any questions. You can contact the following people who will be able to support you with queries:

Director of Learning KS5 – Mr Rhodes - crhodes@stahigh.org

Pastoral Year Coordinator KS5 - Ms Donnellan – sdonnellan@stahigh.org

Pastoral and Academic Mentor KS5 – Mr Scanlan – escanlan@stahigh.org

Assistant Headteacher – Mrs Hayman - ehayman@stahigh.org

Deputy Headteacher – Mr McBain – gmcbain@stahigh.org

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

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