

Parent / Carer Newsletter 10

Welcome to this week's newsletter. We hope that you are all keeping well.

Lessons taking place in school:

This week we welcomed Y12 students back to school for some face-to-face lessons. It was fantastic to see how enthusiastic students and staff were to be working with each other in school again. Next week we are looking forward to welcoming more Y12 students who take subjects in option block B. Students will have a set of reminders sent to them via school email. Y10 students will start to return from 22 June, as per the timetable previously issued.



Image taken prior to lockdown

School continues only be open to Y12 and Y10 at their designated lesson times and for those students whose parents or carers are key workers and have been in school in previous weeks. School remains closed to all other students in Year 7, Year 8 and Year 9. Remote learning continues to be the main delivery method until the end of the summer term.

Management of Learning Behaviour Policy: coronavirus addendum:

We recognise as a school that returning after such a long time at home presents a unique and challenging set of circumstances. We accept that students will take time to settle in and establish themselves in a routine and that it will feel strange for them to be back in school and in classrooms with their friends. Some students may feel anxious or nervous about their return to school and so extra pastoral care and support will be available on request.

There will be some additions and amendments to school rules for students to follow. Please see the full policy on our website

Working at home:

Thank you for your continuing to support your child with their schoolwork. Each department will continue to use Show My Homework to set home learning, this may include some formal assessments towards the end of this term as well as giving the students notice of when live lessons are taking place.

Students continue to access live lessons via Microsoft Teams. Feedback from staff and students has been very positive regarding these lessons. Please continue to support your child with their online learning.

The recordings of lessons can be found in the recordings app on Microsoft 365. To access the videos please follow these steps:

- Log into Office 365
- Select Stream (or All Apps then Stream)
- Discover
- Groups
- Select Group i.e. Y7
- Select Videos

This then shows all videos that have been saved for the relevant group or class.

Lessons will appear on the calendar 15 minutes prior to the start of the lesson. Students should only access the lesson when it appears on their calendar.

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To assist students the following videos have been shared with students:

- Accessing Microsoft 365 and Teams: <https://youtu.be/KZQZkRvKKZQ>
- Using the calendar: <https://youtu.be/rBtllbZhX-g>

If your child is experiencing any difficulties accessing Live Lessons please ask them to contact Mr Shaw m.shaw@allsaintslearning.co.uk

We are aware that a small number of students have experienced some difficulties when trying to access Office 365 and Microsoft Teams. Please contact Mr Salim d.salim@allsaintslearning.co.uk if your child needs technical support.

This is the timetable for live lessons next week. We are working on a fortnightly timetable. This is week one:

Week 1 Weeks commencing 8/6/20, 22/6/20, 6/7/20						
Year	Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7	9:30-10:30	English	Maths	PSHE/ assembly	Science	RE
8	10:30-11:30	Art -video	History	Spanish French	Geography	English
9	11:30-12:30	Maths	English	Option X	PSHE/ assembly	French Spanish
10	13:00-14:00	Science	RE	History Geography	Option Y	Maths

We would like to share with you again some of our expectations when students are engaged with the live lesson.

- Switch off your camera and microphone. This protects your privacy and stops any background noise
- Let your teacher know you have a question using the question button. Please wait to be asked to speak, just as you would in a lesson. When prompted, please speak clearly and use appropriate language.
- Have a question but don't have a microphone? Use the 'chat' feature and type your question instead, we want all students to use this function responsibly.
- Be confident, calm and caring. Sometimes the technology doesn't always work; sometimes internet connections 'lag'
- **Parents and carers are welcome to sit with students when live lessons are streamed. We do ask, however, that they do not join via their own private email account, as this is visible to all attendees**

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A message from our Chaplaincy – Virtual Pilgrimage to Lourdes:

The diocese are putting together a virtual pilgrimage that anyone can take part in. Ms Healy and Mr Weir are involved with helping to put some of the virtual services together with the help of some of our students. Parents and carers are welcome too

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The link to join the pilgrimage is www.hallam-Lourdes.com This website is accessible now. You can also view an invitation video message from Bishop Ralph, on Youtube. <https://youtu.be/ggvsZsBwZMc>.

We do hope that you will be able to join us in our virtual Lourdes pilgrimage from Saturday 27th June at 11.00am.

Travelling to school:

From 15 June, it became law that passengers must wear a face covering when travelling in England on public transport including a bus, coach, tram or train.

The Department for Transport's guidance can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-safer-travel-guidance-for-passengers>

Keeping in touch:

Our students have been sent a newsletter with ideas and activities. Just a reminder that whilst we recommend websites and links to students in good faith, it is always worth checking the websites that your child is accessing online. The government has launched a useful website for parents/carers with advice to keep your child safe online: www.thinkuknow.co.uk

Department for Education coronavirus helpline:

This is available to answer questions about COVID-19 relating to education and children's social care. Staff, parents and young people can contact this helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Opening hours:

8am to 6pm – Monday to Friday

10am to 4pm – Saturday and Sunday

Sending all of our best wishes. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all the families in our community who are currently affected by illness or bereavement.

Every person everywhere in the world is made in the Image of God

1 John 3:1 See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called the children of God! And that is what we are!

Dear Lord,

We read in the Bible the words describing your love for us and yet we know that no human words can express how much you love each of us made in your image and tasked with creating your kingdom on earth.

Help us to use our talents and skills in your service, to build a world of equals. Give us the strength to stand against injustice now and in our future adult lives in the career choices we make. Help us to cultivate the talents you have given us in all that we do.

Amen.

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