

COVID 19 Parent Survey – June 2020

Frequently Asked Questions:

What is expected of my child? Are they expected to work on Google Classroom, Educake, Heggarty maths and the workbooks?

The work set on the Google Classroom should be your child's first priority. Teachers will direct your child to activities on other educational platforms from there. The booklet is there to support your child if they are not able to access their work online.

Can there be more contact from staff to students through ZOOM calls/live lessons? Can students have more interactions with their teachers?

We understand students are missing contact with their teachers and rest assured their teachers are missing them too! To solve this we are trialling Google Meets - live lessons - with our year 12 students in a variety of subjects and carrying out student and staff voice on the impact of these to see if we are able to extend these to other year groups. Staff are also receiving training on all aspects of remote learning. Once our audits are complete we will communicate any changes to you.

Our tutors and Heads of Year are making regular phone calls home to check in with students and their families. If you would like to speak to a member of staff in particular, please contact us by phone or email.

Can you make the workbook interactive so that students can fill it in online?

Unfortunately we're not able to do this due to technical limitations, but the activities in your child's subject Google Classroom will contain interactive activities.

Is there advice on how much parents should be helping?

Any support you are able to provide is helpful, although we realise in these circumstances with lots of family members at home this can be challenging. If you're able to read through the activities set with your child, this is very helpful as is creating a space or a particular time for them to complete the work if that is possible. There are lots of top tips and support online for parents and carers.

Can parents be advised how their child is performing and the student receive regular feedback from the teacher?

We are working on our plans for how to report back to parents/carers this term on your child's engagement with the work being set. Where there have been concerns, we have already contacted home through our pastoral teams.

In terms of feedback, teachers are providing whole class and individual feedback on student work through the Google Classroom. If you have any concerns regarding this please contact the school and we will be happy to go through this with you.

What sanitising provisions are you making in the Academy?

We have a Risk Assessment for the site that covers all aspects of keeping students and staff safe while at the Academy, including sanitising provisions. We have also communicated changes to the school site through our newsletter. On our website we have a document entitled 'Safety Measures at School'. This document explains many of the changes implemented during Covid-19.