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Dear Student and Parent

Sadly we find ourselves in a position where some students may find themselves at home on occasion due to self-isolation or concerns over covid-19 style symptoms. This is a sensible approach, which keeps us all safe.

Most of you will be well enough to complete schoolwork. The expectations for working from home (Home Learning) are very similar to expectations for working in school. 'Home' working students should log into TEAMS every day and keep to their usual schedule of lessons.

So, for example, if you have Maths Period 1 on Monday and you are learning from home, then our expectation would be that you log into your Maths team and find the work your teacher has set for that lesson.

It is really important that you keep working so that you do not fall behind those students who are still in school.

You must check your school email and log on to TEAMS regularly throughout the day. You should follow your school timetable for this. Your teachers will follow the timetable and put something on TEAMS for you each day you are not in school. You can also contact your teacher preferably using TEAMS. If you are having problems, you could also email them.

Your teacher will give you very clear instructions about how you must send work into school.

You will either:

- Work in your school exercise book or on paper and upload a photograph of your work to TEAMS
- Work directly on an Assignment set on TEAMS
- Work directly in your online Class Notebook on TEAMS

You must send your work in at the end of each day that you complete Home Learning.

This is very important because it allows your teacher to monitor your work and give you feedback to help you. It makes sure that you have a full set of notes if you are going to need them for revision. This way the school will be able to support you if you fall behind.

It will help you if you keep to the same timings of the school day. Make sure you get up ready for the start of school. Try to take breaks and lunchtime at the same time. Those students who didn't keep to timings found lockdown very difficult. Remember it is also helpful if you are well enough, to keep exercising and stay fit.

If you are having difficulties accessing work or technology, you must contact your Progress Leader who will be able to help you. Anyone not engaging in the Home Learning (when they are in a fit state to do so) may be contacted by school and parents will also be informed. This term we are going to be collecting two A2L grades one for your work when in school and one for your work when you are working from home.

I realise working from home is not ideal and many of you will feel frustrated, however you must keep yourself and your families safe. Make every effort to stay on top of your studies when working remotely – be resilient and responsible. Remember your teachers are just an email / message away; they are keen to support you all, whether in the building or at home.

Yours sincerely

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