

Haydock High School

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Dear Parents/Carers

For Year 7-10 parents we are sorry that we have not written to you sooner. For year 11 parents I apologise for another letter/ email. Last week we tried to make sure that the home learning was up and running, and we have been training to open our new Covid test centre with support from the local authority. We have been supporting our Year 11 students with the changing situation regarding their exams and have also been liaising with Outwood Grange Academy to ensure a smooth transition.

The home learning should now be established. Students should be able to use Teams to access recorded lessons and should submit their work on Teams as much as possible. They should also be able to access other resources and websites to support the different topics and sessions that staff have provided.

Please let us know, preferably by email, if you are struggling with anything. Remember that we are operating with limited staff in school and that some staff could be ill or have ill family members and also are juggling child care, so please be patient and keep trying different staff if you are not getting a response. The Head of Department is usually the best person to contact if you don't get a response from the subject teacher. There is a list at the bottom of this page. If you are having ICT issues, then let us know and we will try to find solutions. Using a computer is the best way to access the resources that staff have put together to support our remote learning programmes.

Students should aim to complete 4 -5 hours per day. If they are struggling with their routines, then please see the schedule at the bottom of this page.

Please remember the importance of reading. Every student should read for 30 minutes each day, younger students should read to their parent or older sibling if at all possible. We have lots of books in school and will keep some in reception should you need to collect on one of your daily exercises.

Exercise is really important both physically and mentally. Please take part in the staff vs student competition. Exercise should start and end at your front door. Somehow the staff are currently winning!

That said, please stay at home as much as possible. This is the safest place for you at the moment. If you really love your friends and family then don't visit them. We all need to be disciplined to beat this virus and make sure that we all return to school as soon as possible.

We have been busy setting up our own Covid test centre. We have a number of staff who are fully trained and will be testing staff and students this week. This is to keep school as



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safe as possible. We will be asking all parents to complete a consent form and return to the school office. When students return to school, we will be able to test more students especially those that are contacts. Please make sure that parents/ carers and students watch the SLT assembly each week as this will contain important messages for everyone. We will circulate this information separately. There is information about testing on this week's assembly

During the first lockdown we focussed on asking students to complete work in whichever format they chose. This time we want to focus on students completing work and returning it to their teacher, who will then assess the work to assist in providing grades or awards later in the year. Please do not worry about this but try your best with each activity. If you are not well, you can always provide work when you are feeling better. The lessons are recorded so that you can easily catch up with any topics that are missed, and this will also help you revisit key information should you need to.

We have been working closely with the Outwood Grange Academy during the last few weeks. We will update you soon about developments when we are able to.

Finally, we are sad to hear of a number of families experiencing severe illness or loss. We continue to think of you. Please let us know when you need support and if you are struggling with anything. We will always try to help. Please support your friends and other families who are ill, have ill family members or have had a death in the family.

The next few weeks will be tough but with a solid routine and support for each other we can get through this time and look forward to better times ahead.

Kind regards,

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Suggested Rota for those that are finding organising difficult

Activity	KS3 (years 7 - 9)	KS4 (years 10 and 11)
8:00 - 8.50	Get up, shower/ wash, eat breakfast, get dressed	
8.50 - 9:00	Form time – watch assembly (for parents and students), get organised for the day	
9:00 - 10:00	Lesson 1	
10:00 – 11:00	Lesson 2	
11:00 - 11.15	Break	
11.15 - 12.15	Lesson 3	
12.15 - 13.15	Lesson 4	
13.15 – 14.00	lunch	
14.00 - 15.00	30 mins reading followed by exercise (PE) – send distance to school	Lesson 5/ coursework/ revision
15.00 - 16.00	End of day	30 mins reading followed by exercise (PE/ well being) – send distance to school
Evening	More reading - optional	Optional additional work e.g. art

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