



29th January 2021

Dear families,

Year 10 Lesson Attendance

I hope you are well and staying safe during this unprecedented time. I wanted to write to you, as I am concerned with the number of Year 10 students who are not fully engaging with our online provision and live lessons. It is important that your child engages with home learning and keeps to their timetable, as I am in no doubt that there will be GCSE examinations in 2022 and your child cannot afford to fall behind with subject content.

If they are not engaging with the learning, we will use the following strategies to provide additional support:

1. Phone call from Form Tutor in the first instance.
2. Phone call from Head of Year.
3. Contact from a member of our Senior Leadership Team.

We do not expect you to watch your child all day, and we wouldn't expect families to get involved in remote lessons in place of our teachers. But it would be really helpful if you can take an active role in your child's learning by asking them about their day and what work they've done.

Our top tips:

- 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 your child's form tutor or Mr Archer, Head of Year.

I want to congratulate those students who are engaging in live lessons. I have heard very positive comments from Mr Archer and several Heads of Department. Your engagement will be a massive help to you when we finally return to school. Talk to your child about ePraise and celebrate the points they have earned for their successes. Well done!

Thank you for your continued support.

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Vice Principal

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