

ARCHBISHOP ILSLEY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Thursday 7th January 2021

Updated Information on Remote Education

You will have seen our last update dated Monday 4th January. Following the Prime Minister's address on Monday evening, we have made some important amendments to our guidance due to this being an extended period of Lockdown as opposed to the 2-week period initially stated by the government. All amendments are highlighted in yellow for your convenience.

Remote Education

Whilst students are not in school for face-to-face teaching they will be able to access remote education that follows their usual school timetable.

Remote education for all year groups will commence on Monday 4th January.

From Monday 4th January, the following approaches to Remote Education will be utilised across the school.

- 1) Pre-recorded lessons (e.g. Loom or voice over PowerPoint) sent via Google Classroom
- 2) Work set via Google Classroom (e.g. with links to other digital platforms such as MyMaths)
- 3) Pupils are to complete work in their Remote Education Workbooks or on a google doc or google slides, depending on the instructions given by their class teacher. Should pupils require an additional workbook, you can contact the school via enquiry@ilsley.bham.sch.uk or ring main reception on 0121 7064200 to arrange to collect a book.

Teaching staff will use the approach that best suits their students' needs and that complements the nature of their subject.

Students should regularly check their Google Classrooms to access any remote learning set by their subject teachers.

When work is required to be returned to class teachers this will be clearly indicated.

Technical support

There are a number of tutorials for Google Classroom on our website. There is also a section on 'Frequently Asked Questions.' Should you or your child require assistance, please look at the following guidance in the first instance. Use this link to our school website <https://www.ilsley.bham.sch.uk/corona-virus>.

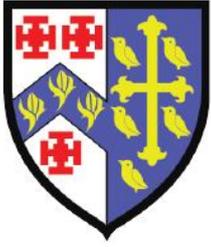


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If you are having technical issues with Google classroom and cannot resolve these using our tutorials, please contact us through enquiry@ilsley.bham.sch.uk as we do have remote access support.

Frequency and volume

Work will be set each day and will follow the usual school timetable.

Your son/daughter should receive approximately 4 hours a day of remote learning, as recommended by the Department for Education, which is appropriately set to challenge but not to overwhelm students.

Marking and Feedback

Teachers will continue to view work submitted by students and send them feedback as appropriate. Feedback might be in the form of a self-marking google form or use the private message function of Google Classroom.

Departmental certificates will be sent to students to reward their engagement and effort. Students will also continue to receive reward points via ClassCharts.

Engagement with Remote Education

Parents and carers will receive a weekly report to illustrate their child's engagement with assignments set on Google Classroom.

If students are not engaging with remote education e.g. failing to complete work, the school will contact home. In the first instance this will likely be a text home to inform parents/carers.

It is important to remind students that the curriculum will continue to be covered during Remote Education so it is vital that students keep up with the work set to ensure there are minimal gaps in their knowledge and understanding.





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Should you have any concerns regarding remote learning please contact your son/daughter's Head of House via enquiries:

- Year 7 - Mr Smith
- Year 8 - Mrs Benton
- Year 9 - Mrs Hughes
- Year 10 - Mr Bruton
- Year 11 - Mr Daniels
- Year 12- Mr Newman
- Year 13-Mr El'Habid

Heads of House will be sharing weekly assemblies with their Year Group via Google Classroom.

Pupil 'check ins' and daily registration

All pupils will be expected to sign in each morning at 8.45-9.00am using a google form which will be sent by their form tutors to their form Google classroom. Pupils will then be ready for their learning that day. Pupils can communicate with their form tutor and their teachers using Google Classroom.

Form tutors will be making telephone contact with their tutees at least once a fortnight to check on students' progress and their well being.

Weekly check ins will be made with our SEND and EAL students.

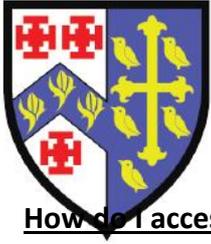
My son/daughter needs access to a device to allow them to complete remote learning

If your son/daughter requires a device at home to complete any remote learning then please contact the school on enquiry@ilsley.bham.sch.uk. You will be asked to complete a ChromeBook loan agreement form and you will return the device at the end of the isolation period.

My son/daughter needs a dongle to allow them to access the internet to complete remote learning

If your son/daughter has not got access to the internet at home then please contact the school on enquiry@ilsley.bham.sch.uk.





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How do I access ClassCharts?

This is the platform that teachers will use to communicate with parents and carers. Teachers will use Google Classroom to communicate with their students.

Thank you to all those parents and carers that have signed up to ClassCharts. We have had an overwhelming response. Those parents and carers who have not yet signed up will receive a telephone call from our Admin Team to support them in accessing the platform. It is vital, particularly in the current climate, that we have 100% compliance with our school communication platform.

You can access the Class Charts website here: <https://www.classcharts.com/parent/login>

More information on ClassCharts can be found on our school website using the following link <https://www.classcharts.com/>

As ever, thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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Assistant Head Teacher

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Assistant Head Teacher



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