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Letters/RemoteLearningNov2020/HSN/ERS

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Update on Remote education for students self-isolating but who are well

As we further develop our Remote Education offer for students who are self-isolating but who are well enough to work, please find below some guidance on how to engage with the learning provision. At the end of this letter you can find reminders of the previous information shared about Remote Education for the first 48 hours and a helpful flowchart about self-isolating.

As teachers move to targeted Remote Learning provision for self-isolating but well students, they will provide a variety of Highcliffe specific lesson resources, pre-recorded lessons and where appropriate live lesson broadcasts as they occur in school. Our Remote Learning policy can be found in the policy section of our website and a link can be found at the end of this letter.

Whenever a student is set work to complete whilst they are at home, they are expected to engage with the personalised Remote Learning offered to them; we advise students follow their usual timetable if possible. There may be some instances where work is not able to be provided for certain subjects due to the practical nature of the courses.

Parents will receive a text link to see a dashboard of the work their child has been set each day they are isolating but well, this will show which lessons there was work set, which lessons were live broadcasts, and whether or not the work has been handed in. We would value your support in ensuring students are completing the work set. Please do get in touch if there are any barriers stopping students from accessing the work to enable us to work together to find solutions.



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Standard practice has always been not to set work for students reported as being absent from school owing to illness. This will continue to be the case.

How does a live lesson work?

Some teachers may invite students to participate in live lesson broadcasts from the classroom as they are happening, where possible and appropriate to offer this.

All live lessons will be scheduled via MyHighcliffe and parents will receive a text notifying them that a live lesson has been scheduled. Students will need to click the link on their Home Study at the beginning of their timetabled lesson to access the live stream of the lesson in school, these will be delivered via Microsoft Teams in the same way in which they were during the period of school closure earlier in the year. The teacher may enter the lesson a few minutes late to allow for taking the register and setting up the lesson in school so please be patient if they do take a couple of minutes to join the live lesson.

All students using video/audio communication for a live lesson must:

- Wear suitable clothing this includes others in their household.
- Be situated in a suitable area within the home with an appropriate background and not displaying any offensive images/items.
- Follow the on-screen rules including entering live lessons with camera and microphone turned off and only activate when asked by their teacher.
- Use appropriate language both when speaking and using text/chat this includes others in their household
- Students will only speak to the teacher (not the class) unless the activity in the class requires whole class/small group discussion.
- Maintain the standard of behaviour expected in school.
- Use the necessary equipment and computer programs as intended.
- Not record, store, or distribute video material without permission.
- Not take screenshots of a live lesson unless given permission by their teacher.
- Always remain aware that they are visible.

Every time a student enters a live lesson they will be agreeing to Highcliffe School's terms and conditions for live lessons, which will appear on screen before they enter the lesson.

We would ask that in the majority of cases students work independently and without parents being involved or monitoring live lessons. Some students will require personal support and, where this is the case and the normal way of working at school, we welcome parental intervention. All students both in class and at home should have the privacy to contribute and share in any classroom discussions or in a one to one conversation with a teacher.

If as a parent, you do need to support your child in their learning please refrain from being an 'active participant' yourself and allow your child to be the one that is working with the class. Try to keep your microphone muted when supporting your child as this means others in the class cannot hear you.



We hope that students will engage with their personalised remote learning to ensure that they do not fall behind in their studies. If you have any questions about the Remote Learning system, please contact your child's Head of Achievement.

Yours sincerely

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Useful Links:

PREVIOUS LETTER ON REMOTE LEARNING

https://highcliffe.school/l/NAy0x

SELF ISOLATION FLOWCHART

https://highcliffe.school/l/on3pt

LINK TO SELF ISOLATION WORK FOR THE FIRST 48 HOURS

https://www.highcliffe.school/3635

REMOTE LEARNING POLICY

https://highcliffe.school/l/eahSu

PRIVACY NOTICE

https://highcliffe.school/l/QoS09







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