



# BISHOP CHALLONER CATHOLIC COLLEGE

## Remote Learning Contingency Strategy

Dear Parent / Carer

At the time of writing I hope that this letter finds you and your family well. Whilst I very much hope we do not have to go into a partial or full closure, we know that there is a real possibility that this might happen at some point in this academic year.

In this letter, I want to share our remote learning contingency plans with you so that you and your son/daughter know what to expect if we are faced with a partial or full closure. Recent Government guidance gave details of different tiers of intervention in local areas and expectations of how this would impact on schools. These tiers aim to implement restrictions in a phased manner with the key aim of retaining as much face to face education as possible. Limitations on education are always a last resort. We will always strive to keep our doors open for our students; if we are subject to local restrictions then priority will be given to vulnerable children and the children of critical workers.

The table below shows how the school plans to respond during each tier of intervention:

Tier Of Intervention	School response	Actions for parents / Carers
<b>Tier 1</b>  No school closures	The school will be fully open to all students.  The wearing of face coverings by staff and students in communal areas such as corridors / queuing for food is mandatory. This does not apply to classrooms. Staff and students to help reduce the risk of spreading the virus by:  1) Minimise contact with individuals who are unwell by ensuring that those who have coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms, or who have someone in their household who does, do not attend school 2) Clean hands thoroughly more often than usual including using the hand sanitiser regularly 3) Ensure good respiratory hygiene by promoting the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach 4) Introduce enhanced cleaning, including cleaning frequently touched surfaces often.	Parents / Carers should ensure that their son/daughter has an appropriate face covering to be used whilst in school (unless exempt).  If face coverings are reusable, they should be cleaned regularly according to the manufacturers' guidelines. Parents / Carers should show their son/daughter how to correctly wear their mask and remove it safely. <a href="#">See government guidance.</a>  Parent / Carers to complete the online form indicating what access your son/daughter has to technology and / or the internet and to give permission for your child to access live lessons through Microsoft Teams.  <a href="https://bishopchalloner.org.uk/parent-carer-remote-learning-evaluation">https://bishopchalloner.org.uk/parent-carer-remote-learning-evaluation</a>  <b>Consent Form To be completed by Friday 25th September.</b>

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<p><b>Tier 2</b> Partial closure of Secondary schools.</p> <p>The school to adopt a rota system</p>	<p>This scenario would see year groups being in school on a fortnightly rota basis. Year groups at home would access work through remote learning – All work will be published to students using Class Charts. Further information will follow as to how this rota will operate.</p> <p>The school will remain open for children of critical workers and vulnerable children.</p> <p>The control measures in Tier 1 will remain in place.</p>	<p>Ensure that both parents/carers and students have access to Class Charts – if not you should contact your son/daughter’s head of year for this information. <a href="#">Guidance on Class Charts</a>.</p> <p>Please refer to the school website to for updates on remote learning, safeguarding and wellbeing support.</p>
<p><b>Tier 3</b></p>	<p>Requires secondary schools to limit on-site attendance to just vulnerable children and young people, the children of critical workers and selected year groups. In the event of tier 3 local restrictions being implemented the Department for Education will issue operational guidance for the affected area that will confirm which year groups should be prioritised.</p> <p>The control measures in Tier 1 will remain in place.</p>	<p>Parents / carers should try and provide an area for their children to complete their work delivered through remote learning. Parents / carers should encourage their son/daughter to submit completed work to teachers through Class Charts when it is requested.</p>
<p><b>Tier 4</b></p>	<p>In this scenario, the majority of children in all year groups would switch to remote learning. The school will remain open for children of critical workers and vulnerable children.</p> <p>The control measures in Tier 1 will remain in place.</p>	<p>Parents / carers should try and provide an area for their son/daughter to complete their work delivered through remote learning. Parents / carers should encourage their son/daughter to submit completed work to teachers through Class Charts when it is requested.</p>

If we are informed of a positive case during a school day, our first action would be to contact our Public Health England Local Health Protection Team. If it was necessary to ask identified students to self-isolate, we would inform all affected parents/carers immediately and put a notice on the website. For this reason it is essential that we have accurate contact information for you.

In the situation that the school would need to close to identified groups of students, we would switch our provision to remote learning. The table below shows a summary of how students will access learning opportunities at each stage of intervention:

Scenario	Class Charts	School Email	Live lessons through Microsoft Teams	Face-to-face Provision
Individual Student Self-isolating	Yes	Yes	No	Students remain at home for recommended isolation period so no face-to-face provision during this time.
Specific groups of students isolating	Yes	Yes	No	Students remain at home for recommended isolation period so no face-to-face provision during this time.

Year group(s) isolation	Yes	Yes	Some live lessons for isolating year group(s) (to be advised).	Students remain at home for recommended isolation period so no face-to-face provision during this time.
Tier 1	Yes	Yes	No	All students attend lessons at school as normal
Tier 2	Yes	Yes	Some live lessons for year groups when on two week rotation at home (to be advised).	All students get some face-to-face provision but on a fortnightly rota system.
Tier 3	Yes	Yes	Live lessons for specific year groups (to be advised).	Specific year groups only plus key worker and vulnerable students.
Tier 4	Yes	Yes	Live lessons for specific year groups (to be advised).	Only key worker and vulnerable students.

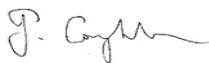
In order for your son/daughter to access any live lessons offered we require [parental/carers consent](#). Please make sure that you have read the Safeguarding and eSafety School Policy, which can be found in our School Policy section of our website.

Our planning includes preparing our students on the use of Microsoft Teams in tutor time and computing lessons during September. Our aim is to ensure that we can move quickly to our blended remote provision, without any disruption to learning.

As always, we will continue to review our planning based on local and national information and adapt our provision as necessary.

Thank you for your continued support.

Dr J Coughlan



**Principal**