

September 2020

Dear parent/carer

RE: Access to digital devices at home

The government has requested that we have plans in place for the possibility of further local restrictions as a result of a potential increase in Covid-19 infection rates. These plans will ensure the continuity of education for your child, with the key aim being to retain as much face-to-face education as possible.

We have been advised by the Department for Education that that these plans will only be adopted where it is necessary and safe to do so, and is primarily a means of reducing risks for the wider community even further by limiting contacts and breaking transmission chains in secondary schools. The decision to implement these plans will be made by Government and not school.

In the event we receive the instruction from the government to restrict numbers of learners in school, we will operate a two week rota system. Full-time on-site provision will remain available for all vulnerable children and for the children of critical workers who require this.

A rota system will limit the number of learners on-site at any one time. We are planning to operate a rota system that means learners spend two weeks on-site followed by two weeks at home. There will be remote learning expectations for learners who are on the home learning phase of the rota system. This time at home will then allow for the onset of symptoms to be detected before returning to school.


In order for all learners to continue their access to their curricula and to continue to make progress during the two-week home learning time, it is imperative that all our learners have adequate digital provision at home.

Can you please help us to survey your child's access to electronic media by completing the form attached, or digitally using the link provided.

Yours faithfully,



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Please either complete the form below and return back to school via the main office or complete the digital form by clicking on the link below:

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Learner name:.....Tutor group:.....

- My son / daughter has access to their own personal digital device (laptop / PC / Tablet / Smartphone)
- My son / daughter only has access to a digital device which is their mobile phone
- My son / daughter has access to a shared digital device within the household (laptop / PC / Tablet / Smartphone)
- My son / daughter has a quiet space in which to work at home
- My son / daughter does not have access to a fixed broadband connection at home
- My son / daughter found engagement with home learning prior to summer holidays difficult and did not submit enough work

Signed: ..... (Parent / Carer)

Please complete and return or submit the electronic form by 25th September 2020