

Dear Parents/Carers,

We really appreciate all of your efforts so far in supporting your child with their home learning and would like to update you with information regarding the support mechanisms we have in place, our remote learning rewards and enrichment as well as how to keep up with what is happening in school via our Twitter account.

#### Remote learning rewards:

We understand the importance of recognising, praising and rewarding our learners in a way that is meaningful to them. We follow a positive behaviour policy and therefore learners can earn achievement points. Each lesson, learners can earn up to 5 achievement points and we have adapted our reward policy to fit in with learners' remote learning this term.

At the end of a fortnightly learning cycle, learners will be awarded 50 achievement points (25 points per week) if they have consistently engaged with remote learning across all subjects. Should a learner demonstrate this commitment throughout the remote learning period, the learner will receive an additional Remote Learning Champion award.

Achievement points earned through remote learning feed into the balance for learners when school returns to on-site teaching. As a parent/carer, you may also view the running total for your child via Insight and learners are encouraged to check their achievement point balance in this way whilst remote learning is in place. Please contact the school office if you need assistance with accessing Insight.

Reward postcards may also be used to celebrate success for work completed from live lessons. When given by a class teacher, these carry a value of 5 achievement points for a job well done. Learners are awarded 25 achievement points when the postcard has been given by a Head of Department or a Senior Leader for outstanding pieces of work. These exceptional pieces of work will be showcased on the school Twitter feed.

#### Support with home learning:

To ensure that learners cover the planned curriculum content and continue to develop both their knowledge and skills, it is important that learners access the full remote learning provision.

If you are aware your child is encountering difficulties with accessing the remote learning provided, please use the following guidance to communicate with us, so we can work in partnership with you and resolve problems as swiftly as possible:

- **Medical** – please contact the school office to report absence from live lessons.
- **Wellbeing** – please contact your child's form tutor.
- **Subjects/lessons** – please ask your child to contact their class teacher for assistance.
- **Technological** – please email us at [homelearning@lhs.aspireplus.org.uk](mailto:homelearning@lhs.aspireplus.org.uk) or telephone the school office.

Enrichment:

Spurred on by the success of the virtual enrichment booklet we created for the summer term (available on our website under: <https://www.longdendalehighschool.org.uk/parents/enrichment>) we are currently compiling a winter collection for learners to enjoy in their free time during lockdown. These are not compulsory tasks, but some handy activities for when boredom strikes or when time away from electronic devices is called for.

All of these activities come at no or little cost and I am sure learners will find several things to enjoy within the medley we select.

Keeping informed using our Twitter feed:

Since our transfer to the Stamford Park Trust, we have deactivated our old Twitter account, which was shared with our sister school Rayner Stephens High School. This will enable us to ensure our feed is pertinent for Longdendale High School families and to share good news and information with our direct community in a much quicker fashion. This is something I am sure you agree is increasingly important when we are all working from home.

We look forward to you following us at:



Thank you once again for the support you have given both to your child and to the school as we have entered and adapted to the many changes this phase of remote learning brings. If you have any general questions, queries, or suggestions about home learning please do not hesitate to get in touch, you can use [homelearning@lhs.aspireplus.org.uk](mailto:homelearning@lhs.aspireplus.org.uk) to contact us.

Kind regards,

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