



Moat Community College

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Dear Parent/Carer,

**Ref: - Spring Term Letter 1 – 05.01.21**

I hope that you and your family are safe and well at this difficult time. I am sure that by now you have heard the government's announcement last night, which instructed all schools to move to remote learning for the majority of students. While I am very disappointed to have to make this change, it is the correct decision given the current spread of covid in society. At Moat we will continue to prioritise the safety and welfare of staff and students, whilst providing an excellent quality of education.

I will continue to write to you regularly with an update on the situation and any actions that the school is taking. At present the government's position is that students will be learning remotely until at least February half term.

#### **Remote Learning (Live Lessons)**

Year 7 to 11 will be taught all of their lessons online whilst they are at home. They should log into each lesson at the usual time. Their teachers will be sending them invites to lessons which will appear in their TEAMS calendar. All students have been shown how to access TEAMS and log into their lessons. They should also check OUTLOOK to see if their teachers have emailed them.

You will receive a communication each day which will tell you if any member of staff cannot teach their lesson 'live' that day. This might be because the member of staff is ill for example.

#### **Key Worker/Vulnerable Students**

The children of Key Workers (for example those who work in the NHS) or children who are vulnerable can be educated in school. If your child is in either of these categories and you would like them to be educated in school, please contact our office in the first instance. While in school these students will also log into their lessons.

#### **Free School Meals**

Free School Meals vouchers will be provided as we have done in the past. We are still awaiting details from the government on how this will be organised. If your child is entitled to Free School Meals we will contact you over the next few days.





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### **Devices**

If your child needs a device to access the live lessons, please contact the school office in the first instance. We will do our best to support you.

### **Key Stage 4 Exams**

We have still not received guidance on what will be happening with year 11 exams. As soon as we are told, we will contact you again. However, it is vital that year 11 students continue to work hard. We will be assessing them in some form; be it exams or by Centre Assessed Grades. The remote work that they complete will be included in these assessments.

It is hard to believe that we find ourselves in this situation again. However, we will get through this as a school and a community. The NHS is rolling out the vaccine which must give us hope that society will return to normal. Please look after yourself and your family. I would also ask that you ensure that your children fully respect the new covid regulations. In particular, they should not be mixing with people from other households or leaving home unnecessarily.

I'd like to take this opportunity, to send my best wishes to you and your families on behalf of the Moat staff and governors.

Yours sincerely,

**Mr Killeen**  
**Principal**