



Dear Parent/Carer

I wish to clarify our expectations for our middle school students, who will now be working from home, until the government confirms we can return to school.

Each year group/class has been set tasks by their subject teachers to complete each day. These could be tasks from the website, Google Classroom or paper worksheets. They will be marked and updated as and when required/possible.

It is essential that children spend time each day completing their academic work, to minimise the gap in their learning during this extended period away from school. They should spend at least 40 minutes for each of their 5 lessons each day. They should also remember to edit and check their work in detail before they deem it complete.

When tasks have been set on Google Classroom, teachers will be available throughout the day if pupils are unsure of what to do.

In addition to this information, we would encourage every student, irrespective of their year group, to use this extended absence to develop their love of reading. At present, we recommend 30 minutes minimum of private reading every day and this will make a difference to your child's wider comprehension skills in all subjects, not just English. It is also an excellent opportunity to introduce children to new authors and therefore widen their reading experiences.

Here is an example of how you might timetable your child's school day:

Suggested Timetable for Homeschooling	
9am	PE with Joe Wicks - live on YouTube
10am	Lesson 1 (for example, Maths or your normal school timetable lesson)
10.30am	Lesson 2 (for example, English or your normal school timetable lesson)
11am	Break
11.30am	Lesson 3 (for example, Science, Humanities or your normal school timetable lesson)
12pm	Lunch
12.30pm	30 mins of reading
1pm	Break
1.30pm	Housework / Gardening



2pm	Lesson 4 (for example, Art or your normal school timetable lesson)
2.30pm	Lesson 5 (for example, Technology or your normal school timetable lesson)
3pm	End of school day

A KS2 and a KS3 reading list are available to you on the website.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support in this.

Yours sincerely

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