

Oakbank School



7th January 2021

Dear Parents

Once again thank you for your support and continued efforts in supporting the remote learning of your sons and daughters. Following on from my letter yesterday I have further updates regarding Live Learning and Year 11 Mocks for you

Live Learning

We have established a pilot group of teachers who are beginning to provide online lessons. At the moment this is a learning exercise and is limited so that we can iron out any unforeseen issues before rolling out more widely. In order for this pilot to be successful I would ask two things from of you

- Please ask your son or daughter to complete the **Remote Education Agreement** Form by Monday 11th January 2021 using this link:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=pGcNtDFve0GB0B6WvxpVXIZH2hgzPc5LvHn-ASfAQ0NUMjQ3MEtHUzlyRFBBRVVQMzRNV1M1NVNaUS4u>

It is important that you read this document and discuss the rules of live learning with your son or daughter.

If you have any queries or questions about this document please let me know.

- Once your child/ren have experienced live learning it would be very valuable to receive feedback telling us about their effectiveness. We are at the start of this strategy and so hearing about your experiences, good and bad, would be extremely helpful.

I have also included a copy of our Online Safety Policy for Parents and Students. This is a more general document but provides advice regarding safe practices online and several useful links to organisations that can support with a wide range on online services. I would encourage you to read of this document as it is full of useful guidance and advice.

Year 11 Mocks

As I mentioned yesterday, we will be holding the Year 11 Mock Exams. We will follow the already published timetable for these exams and they will start on the week beginning Monday 25th January.

Exams will be published on Teams and students will have a specific time slot to complete their exam. Exact details of how each exam works will follow, but for the most part students will be expected to complete exam work on Teams.

We do not yet know exactly how GCSE grades will be calculated this year but it is certain that these mock exams will be used to help teachers establish how well students are doing. It is crucial that all Y11 students take these students seriously and work hard as they prepare for these exams.

Y10 Parents Evening

If you have not yet booked your appointments for next week's parents evening please do by going to:

<https://oakbankschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Assembly

Just a reminder that the Whole School Assembly will take place live on YouTube at 2pm tomorrow. I am aware that the link sent yesterday for the assembly was incorrect, the correct link is: <https://youtu.be/q6FMde7zAEQ>

And Finally...

Thanks again for all the work you are doing to make remote learning possible, and if you are having any problems with any element of remote learning please let us know!

Kind Regards

Robin Bertrand