

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 8 students are now well into the routine of working from home and I hope that your child is finding the online lessons engaging and helpful. The feedback we have received has been very positive and attendance levels are high. We do not know if this scenario may occur again and students of all year groups must be prepared to adapt to studying at home. It is extremely important that your child has the best possible opportunity to do this and we will help in any way that we can.

Our experience has shown that, to work effectively online, students need the following;

- A consistent routine, including planned breaks for rest, exercise and lunch. We recommend that the normal school day is followed
- A tidy place to work. This could be a study, bedroom or a kitchen table, free of distractions
- Access to an internet-enabled device. It is better to use a laptop, PC or tablet rather than a mobile phone.

It is vital that students are engaging with our online learning programme and your support in facilitating this is greatly appreciated.

Finally, a reminder that all students in Year 8 should be self-isolating. This means that they should not be mixing socially with anyone outside of their household during this time. We look forward to welcoming them back to school on Tuesday 24 November.

Once again, your support is greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Mr S Wilson Headteacher

