

Friday 8th January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you for your patience this week, whilst we determine the government guidelines and how best to get everyone learning remotely at such short notice.

Following the latest government update regarding pupil access to remote learning and eligibility for pupils to return to school, we thought it may be useful to reiterate our approach to education during the current lockdown.

Remote Learning Offer

The Government has made it a legal duty for schools and academies to provide remote education for those pupils who are either not entitled to be present in the academy during this national lockdown or are isolating due to COVID-19 restrictions. The Government has set out its own criteria for schools and academies in order to meet this duty.

As previously communicated, our academy's offer is as follows:...

- **Daily** work uploaded onto TEAMS for English Reading, Writing, Mathematics CSI and other foundation subjects
- At least three hours of high quality teaching either directly through teams or online bespoke lessons that match our curriculum at Hogarth for key stage one children and four hours for children in Key Stage 2
- Home packs of activities delivered weekly for F2 and Y1 children as well as video lessons and work on our online platform.

You child MUST complete the work set online by the teacher and we will be contacting you next week to help with this based on the participation registers this week .

Pupil Vulnerability due to Lack of Electronic Devices or Quiet Spaces to Work

The government have also said that some pupils may not have access to required electronic devices, or may struggle to find quite places to work. These pupils may be considered to be classed as vulnerable and may be eligible to attend school.

However, the overarching advice is that anyone who can stay at home, should stay at home, which is reflected in the government guidance stating that any school decision regarding pupil attendance is '*based on local discretion and the needs of the child and their family, as well as a wide range of other factors*'. For any families who believe that their child is vulnerable due to a lack of quiet space or not having access to a suitable electronic device, then please contact us and we will work with you to find a supportive solution.

Academy Contact for any Concerns or Questions

If you would like to discuss the content of our offer or have any concerns about your child's remote learning at home, please contact myself on headteacher@hogarthacademy.co.uk . We would be pleased to answer your questions and support you to help your children at home during this current school closure.

Yours sincerely

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