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Dear Parent

I am writing to update you on school arrangements following the Welsh Government decision to require all schools to move to remote learning until 18<sup>th</sup> January in the first instance. As you will know by now, we have well-established process and systems for this scenario, and we will start the setting of remote learning on Google Classroom from tomorrow.

This continues to be an extremely tumultuous time for everyone. Our focus is now on ensuring that all of our students get the very best standard of education that we are able to provide during this period of remote learning. A regular routine for children helps during this time – getting up at a good time, exercising every day and studying every weekday. Students are expected to follow their usual schedule in most circumstances, although our approach of recorded lessons and independent tasks allows for flexibility if home circumstances require a different schedule. We are confident that our students will again do very well in challenging circumstances.

### **Access to remote learning**

Our remote learning is provided through Google Classroom.

The **Parent Guide to Remote Learning** can be found on this [LINK](#) to our website.

The **Student Guide to Remote Learning** can be found on this [LINK](#) to our website.

### **Student wellbeing**

All students will receive contact from school each week. This will in most cases be from their tutor – next week this will include feedback on their academic progress. If you have any wellbeing concerns during this period, please contact the school through our usual channels.

We will continue to update you as soon as we know more; the Welsh Government have said that they will be in discussions with schools about the rest of the term, so as soon as we know more about longer-term plans we will let you know.

Yours sincerely

**Hugo Hutchison**



# ONLINE LEARNING AT MCS

LEARNING EXPERIENCES CAN BE JUST AS VALUABLE IN A VIRTUAL ENVIRONMENT



Google Classroom



## WHEN AND WHERE WILL MY LESSONS AND ASSIGNMENTS APPEAR?

Pre-recorded lessons and assignments will be uploaded to Google Classroom. You will receive work on the day of or the day before your timetabled lessons.

## HOW CAN I PREPARE FOR LEARNING ONLINE?

- Turn off your mobile phone
- Close any other tabs that are open on the device that you are using
- Have the equipment needed for the lesson

## WHO SHOULD I CONTACT IF I NEED HELP?

You can contact your form tutor via email or send a message via Google Classroom to your subject teacher. If you have forgotten your login details, email Mr Webb or Ms Mills.