



School Closure Edition 5

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Message from the Principal



Dear Parents and Carers,

We've made a good start to the summer term. I hope you're benefiting from your son or daughter being back in something of a routine. Many of us with younger children, me included, are finding the balance of work and homeschooling a challenge. We all have to adjust to a new way of living whether we want to or not. Inevitably this will bring many challenges and today's bulletin includes lots of advice and tips on wellbeing. We're also hoping to signpost some additional support that is out there should you need it.

Our Year 11s are moving to a bridging curriculum on Monday. By now they should have chosen options and from next week will start W6 style lessons. Everybody else will move onto Week One, so lessons 1, 3 and 5. This means an earlier start but also an earlier finish. The vast majority of students are attending lessons online which is fantastic and makes all of the hard work worthwhile.

As always we love hearing from you, your feedback is very valuable to us, as we continue to tweak things and ensure we're offering as good a service as possible. We appreciate your patience and understanding where we're not getting it right. It does feel like a team effort and I'm committed to keeping that spirit going long after this is behind us.

Take care

Kieran

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Year 11 KS5 Bridging Programme Lessons

Students in year 11 this week completed their choices for the KS5 Bridging Programme. The idea behind this is to help students learn knowledge and skills that will prepare them for the subjects they will take in September. We believe it is important that year 11 students remain engaged and productive even though normal year 11 lessons have stopped. To wait until September to begin studying again would see students losing all the good learning routines they have set up.

It is also a chance for students to get a taste of the subjects they have chosen at 6th form, even if they are not moving on to W6 (however, we hope they do stay on with us). Students would normally choose three subjects at sixth form, but we are asking students to choose an additional subject so that they can try something different and new.

Some students may also wish to continue brushing up their English and Maths skills and have chosen GCSE Core Skills in those subjects, and we are also offering Maths for KS5 which will support the increased mathematical content of most A-level subjects.

Students will find new Google Classroom classes when they login and new work will appear in line with the new timetable. The timetable for the lessons is below.

Over the coming weeks, Mrs Everett (Curriculum Director for W6 6th Form) and Mrs Morley (Careers Advisor) will be in contact with students one by one to discuss careers, future destinations and to provide any support with the transition to 6th form.

Be sure to keep an eye on Google Classroom for what is coming up.

KS5 Bridging Programme Timetable

	P1/2			P3/4			P5/6		
	Option Block	Subject	Teacher	Option Block	Subject	Teacher	Option Block	Subject	Teacher
Monday	C	Business Art Dance	DRA CRO AAW	B	Media Studies	MMO	A	Psychology	ATA
Tuesday	C	Biology	JGA				F	Maths - Core GCSE Skills	ERO
Wednesday	E	Geography	CBO	B	Sport/PE Physics	RBR AST	E	Computer Science Chelsea Academy	JCH Chelsea Team
Thursday	G	English - Core GCSE Skills	CSA/AMC/KEL	D	Chemistry 3D Design	SDA POB/ISA	C	RE	JLW
Friday	A	English Lit Maths for A Level Maths Skills for KS5	DB NCO/PDA JEV	A	Theatre Studies	AV	B	History Music	JAN LFA

Week 1 Lessons

As we continue with our online learning, next is Week 1. This means students will only attend their online lessons as follows:

Period 1 - 9.05am - 9.55am

Period 3 - 11.05am - 11.55pm

Period 5 - 1.20pm - 2.10pm

Students should do their best to be online engaging with their learning at this time. In many instances, teachers are running “Live Lessons” with live video tutorials to support students with the work they must complete.

When a student logs in to Google Classroom in the morning, they may not see all their lessons for the day. Teachers will usually post the work at the scheduled lesson time. This will allow students to focus on one subject at a time and not feel overwhelmed by a large volume of work landing all at once.

Chapter and year groups will also be running events. Every student has now been added to a “Virtual Year Group” or “Tutor Group” on Google Classroom. Chapter Teams will be arranging special events occurring during tutor time.

Digital Learning: Parent Email Summaries

At the beginning of lockdown, we advised that parents would receive regular emails about the work that students were being set in Google Classroom. We had faced a few technical barriers, but we are glad to say that this week they have been resolved.

In the past, you may have received an email from **Google Classroom Salamander**. If you have not already done so, please open the email and click on the link to set your preferences for daily, weekly or no updates. You can always change your preferences by clicking on the link at the bottom of any email summary.

In some instances, parents may find the summary does not match what the student sees in Google Classroom. It is important when a student attaches work to an assignment, that they click Turn In so that the work moves out of their To Do list and into Done. The work will also show as Turned In in the status of the assignment.

Digital Learning: Lessons

More and more lessons are now “Live Lessons”. To join these lessons, students will find a link to Google Meets in their Google Classroom or at meet.google.com

To join the Google Meets: Download the App

Installing Google Meet for iOS and Android will make joining the Meets easiest. And it works on most phones and tablet devices, right back to iPhone 5, as well as laptops and desktop computers.

[Google Meet for iOS](#)

[Google Meet for Android](#)

A reminder, students should **switch off their cameras and microphones**, and only unmute their microphone if their teacher asks them to. Most communication will be via the Chat function.

Teachers will be available online during lesson times to answer questions and interact with the students. Students can send messages via the assignments page in [Google Classroom](#).

Normal expectations of class conduct apply.

IT HelpDesk

Remember, if you or your children require any assistance accessing any of the learning systems, send an email to the ITHelpDesk@srwa.woodard.co.uk and we will be delighted to help you.

Maths

There is a very useful Maths Activity Calculator for 9-14 year olds. You can [download a copy here](#).

Free School Meals

Emails have been sent from noreply@edenred.com and will continue for the foreseeable future. If an email has not been received, please check your email address by logging into [Arbor](#) and updating your details.

SEND

Free Webinars for Parents of SEND Children. [SENDGroup](#).

There is lots of Education Guidance from the Government at the moment but this specific link is for parents/carers of SEND students. It is really useful: [SEND Education During COVID-19](#)

Supporting your Child's Wellbeing

During this challenging time, we wanted to remind you that, even though our school is currently closed to all but a few children, we are still here to support your child and your family in whatever way we can.

You might be noticing signs of increasing anxiety in your child as they are spending more time indoors and are out of their normal routines.

To help you support your child, we've been gathering resources and links. Please see [this document](#) for a summary of all this information, which we hope you will find helpful.

We are also receiving regular information from West Sussex County Council. Here are three

additional support organisation flyers that have come through this week:

[Free Active Sussex classes for families](#)

[Worth Domestic Abuse support](#)

[Find it Out Centre](#)

If you have any concerns about how your child is coping or you need any other support from the school, please let us know by emailing your child's tutor or Pastoral Support Officer. We are extremely grateful for all the support you have shown us as we have adapted to these new circumstances, and we want to reassure you that we are still here to support you too.

Information: Increased Fraud Risk During COVID-19 Pandemic

Periods of instability, such as during the coronavirus pandemic, bring an increased risk of fraud. Fraudsters will actively exploit these difficult times and will target vulnerable areas for financial gain.

We have been informed some learners and parents have received a letter from ESFA asking for personal learner bank details in relation to the 16 to 19 Bursary Fund. We never ask for personal bank account details. This is a fraudulent letter – please do not respond.

Year 11: Yearbook, T-shirts and Prom

We are working on completing the yearbook so the year 11's have a memento of their time at the Academy. We thought that it would be really nice for them, especially under the current circumstances.

In the yearbook, as well as general photos of their time at the Academy, each student has a profile picture and some information about them. If they would like to be in the yearbook and haven't already done so we need a current photograph of them and the following information:

- What is their favourite memory of their time at the Academy?
- What are their aspirations and plans for the future?

Mrs Heery has emailed all the students from whom she still requires this information. If they do not want to be in the yearbook, they also need to let her know via email (hheery@srwa.co.uk).

[Trybooking](#) is still open to order a yearbook, prom tickets and leavers' hoodies/t-shirts and to also provide us with permission for the students' photos/names to be used. This needs to be completed by everyone before orders are made for the yearbooks or t-shirts to go to print.

Please would you be able to speak to your children and ask them to reply to Mrs Heery's email as she would not want them to be left out.

With regard to the Prom, we are still waiting until we know it is safe to secure a new date for the Prom. As soon as there is any new information we will let you know.

Pastoral Care

Our pastoral and SEND teams and our tutors are committed to staying in contact with students during our closure. As well as regular check-in calls with those who might particularly need support, we've set up virtual classrooms for tutor groups, year groups and chapters, which will be rolled out further over the coming week. Please encourage your children to interact with these

forums - it's a great way for your children to stay in touch with their fellow students, their tutors and our support teams.

Please also make use of the mindfulness and mental wellbeing links and resources we shared in our last bulletin and if you have any concerns at all, please get in touch with a member of your child's chapter team or our SEND team.

Key Pastoral Support Contact List

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