



Ref: RemoteLearningPlanSec/CTY/wlr

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Dear Parent/Carer

Remote Learning Plan Secondary Students

Whilst we are disappointed that schools have had to close, we are now committed to delivering remote learning that allows students to engage with ambitious, well-sequenced and versatile lessons, in line with the curriculum. We understand that a variety of approaches to remote learning best suits the broad curriculum we offer, so lesson content will be delivered to students in a variety of ways:

Live Lessons – Teachers may calendar lessons for students to access 'Live'. Staff will deliver the lesson content and students will have the opportunity to interact, ask questions and receive feedback through the 'chat' feature within the video call. Live lessons will appear as a meeting request on a student's subject team, on the main 'Posts' page.

Pre-Recorded Lessons – Teachers may use pre-recorded lessons, allowing students to pause the video to complete tasks, rewind to recap or check their understanding and work at a pace that suits them. Students will be able to ask questions on the 'Posts' page underneath the pre-recorded lesson and your child's teacher will be available to answer questions during the lesson slot.

Class Notebook – Lesson resources, instructions and links may be shared in the 'Class Notebook' part of the subject team, under the 'Content Library'. Students will be able to access resources such as lesson PowerPoints, Knowledge Organisers and worksheets. Teachers will provide clear instructions and students will be able to upload completed work to their Class Notebook folder, in order to receive feedback from their teacher.

External Resources – Throughout the first national lockdown, a wide range of lessons, resources and videos were created by a number of organisations such as Oak National Academy, Greenshaws Learning Trust and BBC Bitesize. Other external platforms, such as Seneca Learning and Hegarty Maths, are already well embedded within our school home learning curriculum. These platforms may be used as lessons for your child or to supplement live or pre-recorded lessons. Your child's teacher will be available to answer any questions during the lesson slot on the subject Teams page.

Structuring the day

Students should follow their **normal school timetable** throughout the lockdown period. Your child's teachers will be available to support with learning during their normal lesson times and the school day will run as follows for all year groups:

Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Break	Lesson 3	Lesson 4	Lunch	Lesson 5
8.50-9.50	9.50-10.50	10.50-11.05	11.05-12.05	12.05-13.05	13.05-13.35	13.35-14.35

Monitoring Engagement and Providing Support

During this remote learning period, we will be continuing to cover the same curriculum content that students would have accessed in school. It is therefore important that students actively engage in all of

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the lessons and upload/submit their completed work to receive feedback. We will be monitoring student engagement daily and we will be asking all students to complete a short Microsoft Form at the end of each week, identifying the subjects they have engaged with, where they have completed/uploaded work and any barriers to learning.

Staff will be making phone calls to any students who are not engaging with learning or students who are struggling to access all lessons, to look at any support that may be needed moving forward.

Communication

Microsoft Teams will be the key platform for setting work and all communication about lessons, tasks and activities for students to complete will be shared through Teams. In addition to this, the subject email addresses will continue to be checked regularly by staff, so if parents/carers have any questions, then please contact teachers through the following email addresses:

Maths	maths@thegrangeacademy.co.uk
Science	science@thegrangeacademy.co.uk
Humanities	humanities@thegrangeacademy.co.uk
English	english@thegrangeacademy.co.uk
Music and Drama	Music&drama@thegrangeacademy.co.uk
IT and Business	it&business@thegrangeacademy.co.uk
Photography, Art and DT	pad@thegrangeacademy.co.uk
MFL	mfl@thegrangeacademy.co.uk
PE	pe@thegrangeacademy.co.uk
Pastoral	pastoral@thegrangeacademy.co.uk

We will continue to review our remote learning regularly so that we can best support students in engaging with lessons and making progress. Any updates will be shared through social media platforms and on our school website.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding during this time.

Yours faithfully

Mr I Critchley
Principal

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