

22nd September 2020

Re: Remote Learning

Dear Parent,

As you will be aware, there has been some disruption locally and nationally with regards to pupils being sent home to self-isolate. Fortunately, at the time of writing, I have not had to send any pupils home although I may have to in the future.

The purpose of this letter is to outline the arrangements that are in place in the event of pupils that are:

- Self-isolating because they have recorded a positive Covid-19 test result.
- Self-isolating because they are an identified 'contact'.
- Self-isolating because they are showing symptoms of Covid-19 and awaiting a test result.
- Self-isolating because a household member is showing symptoms of Covid-19 and awaiting a test result.

All pupils have been issued with a **hard copy** of a '**Course Booklet**' in each subject. These booklets include the work that pupils will complete each half-term. The booklets are an integral part of the face-face lesson and allow pupils to continue their learning in the event of self-isolating. **When pupils return from self-isolating, they will be required to submit their work booklets to their subject teachers for marking.**

Clearly in the absence of a face-face lesson, pupils will require support to complete the work in the booklets. This support has been organised through the **Remote Learning** icon on the website homepage (print screen below).



By clicking on the **Remote Learning** icon, the following screen appears:

The screenshot shows the 'Remote Learning' page of the Eastwood Academy website. The navigation bar at the top includes links for Home, The Academy, Parents, Pupils, Admissions, Vacancies, Contact Us, and Remote Learning. A search bar with a 'Go' button is also present. The main content area is titled 'Remote Learning' and contains a notice about the Academy's response to a pandemic, with links to 'Print' and 'Email'. Below this, there are sections for 'Internal Learning Resources' and 'External Learning Resources'. The internal resources include links for 'Key Stage 3 Google Drive Resources' and 'Key Stage 4 Google Drive Resources'. The external resources list 'Seneca Learning', 'Maths Watch, Method Maths or MyMaths', 'GCSEPod', 'BBC Bitesize Daily' (with a URL), and 'Oak National Academy - Online Classroom'.

To access support materials to aid the completion of the work in the course booklets, pupils need to click on either:

[Key Stage 3 Google Drive Resources](#)

[Key Stage 4 Google Drive Resources](#)

The resources are organised into subject folders for ease of access. Moving forward, course booklets will include a page at the beginning with links to websites to further support the completion of the work.

Over the forthcoming days, during assemblies, pupils will be shown how to access and use the online resources to complete their subject course booklets.

In the event of a year group self-isolating and/or whole school closure, something I hope will never happen again, the Academy will revert to the online timetable and Zoom Webinar lessons which it operated during the school closure period - remote.eastwoodacademy.co.uk

Yours sincerely,

Mr. N. Houchen
Principal