

Remote Learning Guide

English



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What is the remote learning guide?

Where students are unable to attend school due to, medical, or disciplinary reasons we will continue to provide resources to enable students to continue their education at home – we call this remote learning. We want to minimise the impact to your child's education and therefore we have a plan to make sure learning can continue, when they are unable to attend school.

We will be providing all teaching resources through Microsoft Teams. All students will be automatically placed in a Team for their classes in all subjects. Teachers will place all activities, including lessons and resources as files in these Teams. Pupils can access the Teams through their school email accounts. Teachers will also set homework and send messages to their pupils using MS Teams. All work will be available before the lesson is due to start.

You can see a summary of what is being taught each week through the remote learning guides that are shared on the school website every Friday. Pupils can access the guides using FROG. Your child's teachers, will also be available via email to answer any questions or queries your child may have. The email address for the head of each department is also included within this guide if you need to contact them regarding any subject related issue.

Pupils are also regularly set tasks and can access resources using the following platforms:

- GCSEPod - <https://www.gcsepod.com/>
- MyOn - <https://www.myon.co.uk>
- Seneca - <https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/>
- UpLearn - www.uplearn.co.uk
- Dr Frost Maths - <https://www.drfrostmaths.com/>

The following resources provide lessons created by the BBC and Department for Education that may be used with your children to extend their learning at school.

- Oak National Academy - <https://www.thenational.academy/>
- BBC Bitesize Daily Lessons - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons>

Studies show that reading for pleasure makes a big difference to children's educational performance. We recognise that reading is vitally important to your child's education. Please make sure your child reads approximately one book a week. Pupils can borrow a book from the school library.

If your child is unable to access the digital resources set by their teachers, please contact your child's Year Manager or Year Coordinator or the school directly using this email address: enquiry@holte.bham.sch.uk

Year 7

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What is your child learning this term?

This term, Year 7 will focus on Spoken Language – Personal Experiences. Through this reflective unit, pupils will engage in reading and analysis tasks that explore how personal narratives are constructed. In their writing, pupils will look back on their journey so far by crafting a comprehensive review of Year 7, documenting their progress, challenges, and achievements.

The module places a central emphasis on oracy-based skills, as pupils will prepare and deliver formal speaking and listening presentations based on their personal reviews. This unit will conclude with a Formative Assessment, consisting of these oracy-based presentations, where pupils will be evaluated on their ability to communicate their experiences and ideas clearly and confidently to an audience.

Resources available:

Senecalearning.co.uk

Bbcbitessize.co.uk

KS3 revision guides

Pupils will be expected to read independently at home for 20-30 minutes minimum each night. Pupils will also need to learn their June and July Tier 2 spellings. Homework will be set by individual teachers.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including deadlines & resources
7.1	Miss Mohamed and Miss Castleton	<p>Monday 29th June 2026 (Miss Mohamed) Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'Spoken Language'.</p> <p>Tuesday 30th June 2026 (Miss Castleton) Reading Lesson Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p> <p>Tuesday 30th June 2026 (Miss Mohamed) Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'Spoken Language'.</p> <p>Thursday 2nd July 2026 (Miss Mohamed) Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'Spoken Language'. Homework – Complete Seneca tasks set.</p>
7.2	Miss Ahmed	<p>Monday 29th June 2026 Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'Spoken Language'.</p> <p>Tuesday 30th June 2026 (double) Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'Spoken Language'.</p> <p>Homework: Complete presentation.</p>
7.3	Mrs Dhansey and Mrs Jagpal	Complete all tasks on Personal Experiences.
7.4	Miss Shami	Tuesday 30th June 2026

		<p>Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'Spoken Language'.</p> <p>Thursday 25th June 2026</p> <p>Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'Spoken Language'.</p> <p>Friday 3rd July 2026</p> <p>Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'Spoken Language'.</p> <p>Homework: Finish writing your speech</p>
7.5	Mr Edwards	<p>Tuesday 30th June</p> <p>Spoken Language lesson 6</p> <p>Friday 3rd July</p> <p>Spoken Language lesson 7</p>
7.6	Miss Castleton	<p>Tuesday 30th June 2026</p> <p>Spoken Language</p> <p>Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p> <p>Wednesday 1st July 2026</p> <p>Reading Lesson</p> <p>Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p> <p>Friday 3rd July 2026</p> <p>Spoken Language</p> <p>Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p> <p>Homework: Complete Spoken Language PowerPoints</p>
7.7	Mrs Ali	<p>Wednesday 24th June</p> <p>Spoken Language- Lesson 5</p> <p>Thursday 25th June</p> <p>Spoken Language- Lesson 6</p> <p>Friday 26th June</p> <p>Spoken Language- Lesson 7</p> <p>Homework- Complete Seneca tasks</p> <p>https://app.senecalearning.com/dashboard/class/0276wm815h/assignments/assignment/e2d02eff-a3ad-477a-8d5d-42ced699f06b?suggestedProvider=microsoft</p>
7.8	Mrs Jagpal and Miss Ahmed	<p>Monday 29th June</p> <p>Continue with tasks on Personal Experiences.</p> <p>Tuesday 30th June</p> <p>Continue with tasks on Personal Experiences.</p>
7.N	Ms Lynch	<p>Tuesday 30th June</p> <p>Complete all tasks outlined in Spoken Language – Personal Experiences PPT</p> <p>Thursday 2nd July</p> <p>Complete all tasks outlined in Spoken Language – Personal Experiences PPT</p> <p>Friday 3rd July</p>

		Complete all tasks outlined in Spoken Language – Personal Experiences PPT Homework: Complete the Seneca homework
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Year 8

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What is your child learning this term?

This half-term, Year 8 pupils will focus on Spoken Language – Modern Play, involving the in-depth study of a post-1914 play. Pupils will develop their reading skills through the analysis of key themes and concepts, exploring how playwrights use structure and dialogue to convey meaning. In their writing tasks, pupils will learn the conventions of the genre by crafting their own original play scripts.

Pupils will prepare and deliver speaking and listening presentations on the themes, characters, and historical context of the play.

Resources available:

Senecalearning.co.uk

Bbcbite size.co.uk

KS3 revision guides

Pupils will be expected to read independently at home for 20-30 minutes minimum each night. Homework will be set by individual teachers.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including deadlines & resources
8.1	Mrs Ali	<p>Tuesday 23rd June Spoken Language Lesson 5 Complete tasks on power point</p> <p>Thursday 25th June Spoken Language Lesson 6 Complete tasks on power point</p> <p>Homework-Complete Seneca tasks https://app.senecalearning.com/dashboard/class/5c2b28wo4x/assignment/s/assignment/60dc4a9d-d1d6-4d14-b7cd-a1d3e0b4867c?suggestedProvider=microsoft</p>
8.2	Mr Harrison	<p>Monday 29th June Modern Play lesson 12 – complete tasks</p> <p>Wednesday 1st July SPaG lesson focus – areas to develop and improve.</p> <p>Thursday 2nd July SPaG lesson focus – areas to develop and improve.</p> <p>Friday 3rd July Modern Play lesson 13 – complete tasks</p>
8.3	Miss Castleton	<p>Monday 29th June 2026 The Curious Incident (Modern Play) Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p> <p>Thursday 2nd July 2026 Reading Lesson Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p>

		<p>Friday 3rd July 2026 The Curious Incident (Modern Play) Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p>
8.4	Ms Lynch	<p>Thursday 2nd July Complete tasks and activities in 'Modern Play' PPT Friday 3rd July Complete tasks and activities in 'Modern Play' PPT Homework: complete the Seneca homework</p>
8.5	Miss Ahmed	<p>Wednesday 1st July 2026 The Curious Incident (Modern Play) Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p> <p>Thursday 2nd July 2026 The Curious Incident (Modern Play) Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities. Homework: Complete the Seneca homework</p>
8.6	Miss Mohamed and Miss Castleton	<p>Monday 29th June 2026 (Miss Castleton) Sports Journalism Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p> <p>Tuesday 30th June 2026 (Miss Castleton) Reading Lesson Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p> <p>Wednesday 1st July 2026 (Miss Mohamed) Complete tasks and activities in 'Modern Play' PPT</p> <p>Thursday 2nd July 2026 (Miss Castleton) Sports Journalism Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p>
8.7	Mrs Dhansey and Mrs Jagpal	<p>Monday 29th June Continue with tasks on Modern Play – Fast. Tuesday 30th June Continue with tasks on Modern Play – Fast. Friday 3rd July 2026 (LTG) Playwrights Lesson 03 Complete tasks as guided by the Power point</p>
8.8	Miss Hunter	<p>Monday 29th June Complete tasks and activities in 'Modern Play' PPT</p> <p>Tuesday 30th June Complete tasks and activities in 'Modern Play' PPT</p>

		<p>Wednesday 1st July Complete tasks and activities in 'Modern Play' PPT</p> <p>Thursday 2nd July Complete tasks and activities in 'Modern Play' PPT</p>
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Year 9

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What is your child learning this term?

This term, Year 9 pupils will explore two classic texts from English literature, developing their reading, analytical and critical thinking skills. They will begin with Romeo and Juliet, where they will study the plot, characters and themes, before closely analysing key scenes from Act 1. Later in the term, pupils will build on these skills as they move on to study A Christmas Carol, deepening their understanding of character, context and writer's methods.

Resources available:

Senecalarning.co.uk

Bbcbite-size.co.uk

KS3 revision guides

Pupils will be expected to read independently at home for 20-30 minutes minimum each night. Homework will be set by individual teachers.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including deadlines & resources
9.1	Mrs Dhansey	Complete all tasks on A Christmas Carol.
9.2	Miss Mohamed	<p>Monday 29th June 2026 (Miss Saiyed) A Christmas Carol- Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p> <p>Thursday 2nd July 2026 (Miss Saiyed) A Christmas Carol- Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p>
9.3	Miss Ahmed	<p>Monday 29th June 2026 Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'A Christmas Carol'.</p> <p>Thursday 2nd July 2026 Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'A Christmas Carol'.</p>
9.4	Mrs Ali & Miss Shami	<p>Monday 29th June 2026 (JAS) Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'A Christmas Carol'.</p> <p>Wednesday 24th June (SAL) A Christmas Carol Complete tasks as guided by the Power point</p> <p>Thursday 2nd July (LTG) A Christmas Carol Complete tasks as guided by the Power point</p> <p>Homework: Finish your revision poster</p>
9.5	Mrs Jagpal and Miss Castleton	<p>Monday 29th June Continue with activities on Romeo and Juliet.</p> <p>Wednesday 1st July Continue with activities on Romeo and Juliet.</p> <p>Friday 3rd July 2026 (Miss Castleton) A Christmas Carol</p>

		Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.
9.6	Ms Sadique & Miss Mohamed	<p>Monday 29th June 2026 (Ms Sadique) Romeo & Juliet: complete all tasks in the PowerPoint.</p> <p>Wednesday 1st July 2026 (Miss Mohamed) A Christmas Carol – Complete all tasks in the PPT.</p> <p>Friday 3rd July 2026 (Ms Sadique) Romeo & Juliet: complete all tasks in the PowerPoint. Homework: Romeo & Juliet revision – plot and character</p>
9.7	Mrs Dhansey	<p>Friday 3rd July 2026 (Miss Saiyed) A Christmas Carol- Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p>
9.8	Miss Hunter & Miss Shami	<p>Monday 29th June 2026 (JAS) Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'A Christmas Carol'.</p> <p>Wednesday 1st July (Miss Hunter) Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'A Christmas Carol'.</p> <p>Friday 3rd July (Miss Hunter) Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'A Christmas Carol'.</p>

Year 10

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What is your child learning this term?

This half term, year 10 pupils will be focusing on Language Paper 1 – Section A: Reading; Section B: Writing in preparation for their End of Year (EOY) exams. Pupils will study a range of fiction texts, where they look at analysis and meaning of texts. For English Literature, pupils will focus on the Literature Paper 1 texts – Romeo and Juliet, A Christmas Carol. They will recap the plot of the play, analyse characters, and start to look at themes and language. With the poetry, pupils will focus on selected poems for the GCSE and continue the preparation for the exams.

Resources available:

Senecalearning.co.uk

BBCbitesize.co.uk

GCSE Pod

Pupils will be expected to read independently at home for 20 minutes minimum each night. Homework will be set by individual teachers.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including deadlines & resources
10.1	Mrs Jagpal and Mr Harrison	Monday 29th June (NJH) Speaking and Listening presentations Tuesday 30th June (SUJ) Speaking and Listening presentations Wednesday 1st July (NJH) Poetry revision and completion of analysis Thursday 2nd June (SUJ) Poetry revision and completion of analysis
10.2	Miss Hunter	Monday 29th June Speaking and Listening presentations prep Tuesday 30th June Speaking and Listening presentations Wednesday 1st July Speaking and Listening presentations Thursday 2nd July Language Paper 1 feedback
10.3	Mrs Ali	Tuesday 23rd June Revision Literature paper 1 Wednesday 24th June Revision Literature paper 1 Friday 26th June Feedback lesson Language paper 1 Homework -Complete Seneca tasks https://app.senecalearning.com/dashboard/class/qca5vaot3u/assignments/assignment/cbc4dfc0-8fc3-474f-9d4e-acfadd66bf85?suggestedProvider=microsoft

10.4	Miss Mohamed and Miss Castleton	<p>Monday 29th June 2026 (Miss Castleton) Literature Paper 1 Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p> <p>Tuesday 30th June 2026 (Miss Mohamed) Speaking and Listening presentations</p> <p>Wednesday 1st July 2026 (Miss Mohamed) Speaking and Listening presentations</p> <p>Thursday 2nd July 2026 (Miss Castleton) Feedback- Literature Paper 1 Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p>
10.5	Mrs Dhansey & Ms Sadique	<p>Monday 29th June 2026 (Ms Sadique) Speaking & Listening: preparation for assessment.</p> <p>Wednesday 1st July 2026 (Ms Sadique) Speaking & Listening: student presentations.</p> <p>Thursday 2nd July 2026 (cover Ms Sadique) Speaking & Listening: student presentations.</p> <p>Homework: Research and preparation for speaking and listening assessments.</p>
10.6	Mrs Jagpal and Miss Hunter	<p>Monday 29th June (SUJ) Poetry revision and completion of analysis</p> <p>Wednesday 1st July (SUJ) Poetry revision and completion of analysis</p> <p>Thursday 2nd July (Miss Hunter) Speaking and Listening presentations</p> <p>Friday 3rd July (Miss Hunter) Speaking and Listening presentations</p>
10.7	Miss Shami & Miss Ahmed	<p>Monday 29th June 2026 (JAS) Feedback lesson - Literature paper 1</p> <p>Wednesday 1st July 2026 NIA (double) Research and preparation for speaking and listening assessments.</p> <p>Thursday 2nd July 2026 (JAS) Feedback lesson - Literature paper 1</p> <p>Homework: Research and preparation for speaking and listening assessments.</p>
10.8	Miss Mohamed & Mr Edwards	<p>Wednesday 1st July (Mr Edwards) Speaking & listening preparation</p> <p>Thursday 2nd July 2026 (Miss Mohamed) Speaking and listening preparation</p> <p>Friday 3rd July (Mr Edwards) Speaking & listening rehearsal</p> <p>Homework: Research and preparation for speaking and listening assessments.</p>

Year 11

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What is your child learning this term?

This half term, year 11 pupils will continue to revise for their GCSE examinations. In English Language, pupils will focus on Language Papers 1 and 2. Pupils will be expected to analyse language and structure of unseen fiction and non-fiction texts, and write their own descriptive or narrative pieces as well as a non-fiction article or speech. For English Literature, pupils will focus on revision for all of the set texts.

Resources available:

Senecalearning.co.uk

BBCbitesize.co.uk

GCSE Pod

Pupils will be expected to read independently at home for 20 minutes minimum each night. Homework will be set by individual teachers.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including deadlines & resources
11.1	Mr Edwards and Miss Shami	Course completed
11.2	Ms Sadique and Mr Harrison	Course completed
11.3	Miss Mohamed	Course completed
11.4	Mrs Jagpal and Miss Ahmed	Course completed
11.5	Mrs Dhansey and Miss Hunter	Course completed
11.6	Mrs Jagpal and Miss Ahmed	Course completed
11.7	Mrs Ali	Course completed
11.8	Miss Shami and Miss Castleton	Course completed

6th Form

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What is your child learning this term?

This half term, pupils in year 12 will develop their understanding of the three set texts for A Level: *A Streetcar Named Desire*, *Othello* and *The Great Gatsby*. Year 12 will also finish reading their first stimulus text for coursework.

In year 13, pupils will prepare for their examinations. They will be examined on all elements of the two exam papers: The non-fiction Anthology; *A Streetcar Named Desire*, Unseen non-fiction; *Othello* and *The Great Gatsby*.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including deadlines & resources
Year 12A	Mr Edwards Ms Sadique	Work Experience
Year 13A	Mr Edwards Mr Harrison	Course completed