

Remote Learning Guide

History



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(SMSC Day 8th July)

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. The guides are also shared with students on their year group’s MS Teams. 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/>
- Bedrock learning - <https://bedrocklearning.org/>
- Seneca - <https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/>
- UpLearn - www.uplearn.co.uk
- Sparx Maths - <https://sparxmaths.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. Students may access online news resources using The Day - <https://theday.co.uk/> or they may borrow a book from the school library.

Students record the passwords for these online resources in their school planner. 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?		
Year 7 have been learning about the Tudor period. They will study interpretations of Henry VII, Edward VI and Mary I. They will then do an in depth study of Elizabeth I, exploring topics of marriage, religion, Mary Queen of Scots and the Spanish Armada.		
Class	Teacher	Lessons, including homework deadlines & resources
7hi1	Mrs James	Lesson 1: Mary Queen of Scots Lesson 2: Armada Bonus Seneca homework (optional) https://app.senecalearning.com/dashboard/class/w2uo8a0agt/assignments/assignment/09eff8a0-f169-4313-9cc7-cb383f1baeb2?suggestedProvider=microsoft
7hi2	Miss Hussain	Lesson 1: Mary Queen of Scots Lesson 2: Spanish Armada
7hi3	Mr Galloway	Lesson 1: Elizabeth Portraits Lesson 2: SMSC Day
7hi4	Miss Hussain	Lesson 1: SMSC Day Lesson 2: Spanish Armada
7hiN	Miss Parvaiz	Lesson 1: Elizabeth Recap Lesson 2: SMSC DAY.
7hi5	Mrs Bashir	Lesson 1: No lesson- SMSC Day Lesson 2 SUA: Spanish Armada Part II
7hi6	Mrs James	Lesson 1: SMSC day Lesson 2: Armada
7hi7	Mrs Ali	Lesson 1: SMSC Day Lesson 2: MQS
7hi8	Mrs James	Lesson 1: SMSC day Lesson 2: Armada

Year 8

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What is your child learning this term?

Pupils are studying the British Empire, looking at India as a specific case study. They will learn about the Mughal Empire, how the British controlled India, the East India Company and different perspectives of the British Empire.

They will then move on to a study of Migration through time, with a focus on Birmingham. They will learn about early migration to the West Midlands, the Industrial Revolution and Irish migration to Birmingham, Caribbean migration (Windrush Generation), South Asian migration to Birmingham and Eastern European migration.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including homework deadlines & resources
8hi1	Mr Galloway	Lesson 1: Irish Migration
8hi2	Miss Hussain	Lesson 1: Viking and Norman Migration
8hi3	Mrs James	Lesson 1: Jewish Migration Lesson 2: SMSC day
8hi4	Mrs Ali	Lesson 1:
8hi5	Mrs Bashir	Lesson 1: No lesson- SMSC Day Lesson 2 MAD: Irish Migration
8hi6	Mrs Ali	Lesson 1: Viking and Norman Migration Lesson 2: SMSC Day Lesson 3: Jewish Migration
8hi7	Miss Hussain	Lesson 1: Viking and Norman Migration
8hi8	Mr Galloway	Lesson 1: (LJF) Irish Migration

Year 9

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What is your child learning this term?

Year 9 pupils are studying Medicine Through Time. They are learning about the causes, prevention and treatment of illness in different time periods in History.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including deadlines & resources
9ahi1	Mrs James	Lesson 1: Pasteur and Germ Theory Lesson 2: SMSC day Lesson 3: Nightingale & nursing Industrial Revolution: Seneca homework https://app.senecalearning.com/dashboard/class/jnlab35aia/assignments/assignment/f7e9f1cc-2d68-431d-9f67-386596dfbfab?suggestedProvider=microsoft
9bhi1	Mrs Bashir	Lesson 1: Modern Medicine- understanding causes inc DNA Lesson 2: No lesson- achievement assembly Lesson 3: Improvements in treatment and diagnosis
9chi1	Mrs Ali	Lesson 1: Penicillin, Fleming and Florey and Chain

Year 10

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What is your child learning this term?

Year 10 pupils have been studying the American West. They will study the development of settlement in the West, ranching & the cattle industry and changes to the way of life of the Indigenous Peoples.

Pupils will then move on to a study of the British sector of the Western Front. This is section B of the medicine through time exam.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including homework deadlines & resources
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10ahi1	Mrs Bashir	Lessons 1-2: Exam feedback
10bhi1	Mrs Ali	Lesson 1:
10chi1	Mrs James & Mr Galloway	Lesson 1: ACHIEVEMENT ASSEMBLY Lesson 2: Conditions in the trenches Lesson 3: SMSC day Lesson 4: Exam feedback Seneca homework: https://app.senecalearning.com/dashboard/class/wfvlb6szji/assignments/assignment/8b79a1d2-4ca8-4967-b8e8-8525ed2bf8aa?suggestedProvider=microsoft

Year 11

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What is your child learning this term?

Year 11 have now completed their study of Weimar and Nazi Germany.
They will now be revising for their summer examinations.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including homework deadlines & resources
11bhi1	Mr Galloway	No lessons- pupils have finished the course
11chi1	Miss Hussain	No lessons- pupils have finished the course
11chi2	Mr Farmer	No lessons- pupils have finished the course

6th Form

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What is your child learning this term?

Pupils will start Year 12 with a study of the AQA unit 1K: The making of a Superpower, 1865-1975. In the spring term we will focus on the following:

The Superpower, 1945–1975

- Domestic politics: Truman, Eisenhower and post-war reconstruction
- Kennedy, Johnson and Nixon; New Frontier; the Great Society; Nixon and Republican revival
- Economic change and developments: the rise of the consumer society and economic boom
- Ideological, social, regional and ethnic divisions: McCarthyism; civil rights; youth culture; protest and the mass media
- The USA and international relations: the Cold War and relations with the USSR and China; the Vietnam War
- The USA by 1975: its place as a Superpower; the limits of social cohesion; new cultural developments, including the role of women and the position of African-Americans

Pupils will also use their two lessons a fortnight with Mrs Bashir to study the witch craze in Western Europe. This is the topic they will research and write about for their NEA (an extended essay of 4000-4500 words). Year 13 students are studying the Making of Modern Britain with Mr Oliver. They are completing their NEA with Mr Galloway.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including homework deadlines & resources
12bhi1	Mr Oliver, Mr Farmer and Mrs Bashir	We will continue focusing on the Cold War looking at the Vietnam War. We will explore the causes of the conflict and the roles of Kennedy, Johnson and Nixon. We will look at the impact of the war on the USA.

		<p>On Friday we will go through feedback from the end of year exam looking at the extract question.</p> <p>Prepare by watching the following video:</p> <p>Why Did America Fight the Vietnam War? 5 Minute Video</p>
13dhi1	Mr Oliver and Mr Galloway	No lessons- pupils have finished the course