

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 pupils will explore war prose through the study of a class reader, developing their understanding of key themes, context and language. They will practise responding to extracts, focusing on analysis of language and how meaning is created. In writing, pupils will develop their narrative skills by crafting a piece or writing a letter home from the perspective of a soldier. They will also take part in spoken language activities, including dramatic performances to bring soldiers' experiences to life. The unit will conclude with a summative assessment, where pupils will respond to questions on language analysis, themes and context.

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. Pupils will also need to learn their April and May 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 6th July 2026 (Miss Mohamed) Spoken language –lesson 7</p> <p>Tuesday 7th July 2026 (Miss Mohamed) Spoken language –lesson 8</p> <p>Wednesday 8th July (Miss Castleton) SMSC Day</p> <p>Homework – Complete Seneca tasks.</p>
7.2	Miss Ahmed	<p>Monday 6th July 2026 Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'Spoken Language'.</p> <p>Tuesday 7th July 2026 Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'Spoken Language'.</p>
7.3	Mrs Dhansey and Mrs Jagpal	<p>Wednesday 8th July (SUJ) SMSC DAY</p>
7.4	Miss Shami	<p>Tuesday 30th June 2026 Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'Spoken Language'.</p> <p>Wednesday 8th July 2026 Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'Spoken Language'.</p> <p>Thursday 9th July 2026 Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'Spoken Language'.</p>

		Homework: Complete Seneca tasks.
7.5	Mr Edwards	Tuesday 30th June (Mr Edwards) Spoken Language lesson 7 Friday 3rd July (Mr Edwards) Spoken Language lesson 8
7.6	Miss Castleton	Tuesday 7th July 2026 Spoken Language Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities. Wednesday 8th July 2026 SMSC Day Thursday 9th July 2026 Spoken Language Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities. Friday 10th July 2026 Achievement Assembly
7.7	Mrs Ali	Wednesday 8th July Spoken language –lesson 8 Thursday 9th July Spoken language –lesson 9 Friday 10th July Spoken language –lesson 10 Homework- Complete Seneca tasks https://app.senecalearning.com/dashboard/class/0276wm815h/assignments/assignment/b01e2d4e-edda-46ba-8419-467210ca2f60?suggestedProvider=microsoft
7.8	Mrs Jagpal and Miss Ahmed	Monday 6th July Continue with spoken language presentations on your personal experiences. Wednesday 8th July SMSC DAY Thursday 9th July Continue with spoken language presentations on your personal experiences. Friday 10th July Continue with spoken language presentations on your personal experiences. Homework: practice your lines for your presentation.
7.N	Ms Lynch	Tuesday 7th July Complete all tasks outlined in Spoken Language – Personal Experiences Wednesday 8th July SMSC Day Thursday 9th July Complete all tasks outlined in Spoken Language – Personal Experiences Homework: Complete Seneca tasks

Year 8

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What is your child learning this term?

This term, Year 8 pupils will explore the world of sports journalism, focusing on a range of non-fiction texts. They will study how newspaper articles are written, including their key features and conventions, while also examining issues such as gender bias within journalism. Pupils will complete a formative assessment in the form of a knowledge quiz on women in sport. They will then apply their understanding by writing their own article, focusing on the gender divide in sport and the representation of women in sports media.

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Senecalearning.co.uk

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8.1	Mrs Ali	<p>Tuesday 7th July (SAL) Spoken Language-Lesson 9</p> <p>Wednesday 8th July (Mr Edwards) Reading lesson – Messi vs Ronaldo article</p> <p>Thursday 9th July (SAL) Spoken Language-Lesson 10</p> <p>Homework-Complete Seneca tasks https://app.senecalearning.com/dashboard/class/5c2b28wo4x/assignments/assignment/c0bc2365-f1ef-4bec-a6ef-edd78f3b87fc?suggestedProvider=microsoft</p>
8.2	Mr Harrison	
8.3	Miss Castleton	<p>Monday 6th July 2026 Modern Play Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p> <p>Wednesday 8th July 2026 SMSC Day</p> <p>Thursday 9th July 2026 Achievement Assembly</p> <p>Friday 10th July 2026 Modern Play Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p>
8.4	Ms Lynch	<p>Wednesday 8th July SMSC Day</p> <p>Thursday 9th July</p>

		<p>Complete tasks and activities in 'Modern Play' PPT Friday 10th July</p> <p>Complete tasks and activities in 'Modern Play' PPT Homework: complete the Seneca tasks</p>
8.5	Miss Ahmed	<p>Tuesday 7th July 2026 Modern Play Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p> <p>Thursday 9th July 2026 Modern Play Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p>
8.6	Miss Mohamed and Miss Castleton	<p>Monday 6th July 2026 (Miss Mohamed) Modern Play – Complete tasks in the PPT. Thursday 9th July 2026 (Miss Mohamed) Modern Play – Complete tasks in the PPT.</p> <p>Homework – Complete Seneca tasks set.</p>
8.7	Mrs Dhansey and Mrs Jagpal	Continue with practicing for your presentations.
8.8	Miss Hunter	<p>Tuesday 7th July Modern Play – Complete tasks in the PPT.</p> <p>Thursday 9th July Modern Play – Complete tasks in the PPT.</p>

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:

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Bbcbitesize.co.uk

KS3 revision guides

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Class	Teacher	Lessons, including deadlines & resources
9.1	Mrs Dhansey	Continue with activities on A Christmas Carol.
9.2	Miss Mohamed	<p>Monday 6th July 2026 (Miss Mohamed) Romeo and Juliet – Complete all tasks in the PPT.</p> <p>Wednesday 8th July 2026 (Miss Mohamed) Romeo and Juliet – Complete all tasks in the PPT.</p> <p>Thursday 9th July 2026 (Miss Saiyed) A Christmas Carol Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p> <p>Homework – Complete written task set.</p>
9.3	Miss Ahmed	<p>Monday 6th July 2026 Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'ACC'.</p> <p>Wednesday 8th July 2026 Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'ACC'.</p> <p>Friday 10th July 2026 Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'ACC'. Homework: Seneca activities</p>
9.4	Mrs Ali & Miss Shami	<p>Monday 6th July 2026 (JAS) Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'ACC'.</p> <p>Wednesday 8th July 2026 (JAS) Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'ACC'.</p> <p>Wednesday 8th July (SAL) Reading Lesson- A Christmas Carol Homework- https://app.senecalarning.com/dashboard/class/ipww6d8gyd/assignments/assignment/21984c6f-5c03-4897-aaf7-27a1b7fb0076?suggestedProvider=microsoft</p>

		<p>Thursday 9th July (LTG) A Christmas Carol Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p> <p>Friday 10th July 2026 (JAS) Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'ACC'.</p> <p>Homework: Seneca activities</p>
9.5	Mrs Jagpal and Miss Castleton	<p>Monday 6th July 2026 (Miss Castleton) A Christmas Carol Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p> <p>Tuesday 7th July (SUJ) Continue with activities on Romeo and Juliet – Act 1.</p> <p>Wednesday 8th July 2026 (Miss Castleton) SMSC Day</p> <p>Thursday 9th July 2026 (Miss Castleton) A Christmas Carol Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p> <p>Friday 10th July (SUJ) Continue with activities on Romeo and Juliet – Act 1. Homework: Seneca on Romeo and Juliet.</p>
9.6	Ms Sadique & Miss Mohamed	<p>Monday 6th July 2026 (Ms Sadique) Romeo & Juliet: complete all tasks on the PowerPoint.</p> <p>Wednesday 8th July 2026 (Ms Sadique) SMSC</p> <p>Thursday 9th July 2026 (Ms Sadique) Romeo & Juliet: complete all tasks on the PowerPoint.</p> <p>Homework:</p>
9.7	Mrs Dhansey	<p>Monday 6th July 2026 (Miss Saiyed) A Christmas Carol- Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p>
9.8	Miss Hunter & Miss Shami	<p>Monday 6th July (Miss Hunter) A Christmas Carol Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</p> <p>Tuesday 7th July 2026 (JAS) Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities in 'ACC'.</p> <p>Friday 10th July (Miss Hunter) A Christmas Carol Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.</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:

Senecalarning.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	Continue preparing for your Speaking and Listening presentations – they will be recorded in each lesson.
10.2	Miss Hunter	Tuesday 7th July Speaking and Listening assessments. Friday 10th July Language Paper 1 Feedback Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.
10.3	Mrs Ali	Tuesday 7th July 2026 Language Paper 2 –Section A Wednesday 8th July 2026 Language Paper 2 –Section A Friday 10th July 2026 Language Paper 2-Section B Homework- Complete Seneca tasks
10.4	Miss Mohamed and Miss Castleton	Tuesday 7th July 2026 (Miss Castleton) Literature Paper 1 Feedback Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities. Wednesday 8th July 2026 SMSC Day Friday 10th July 2026 (Miss Castleton) Unseen Poetry Complete PowerPoint and all attached tasks and activities.
10.5	Mrs Dhansey & Ms Sadique	Monday 6th July 2026 (Ms Sadique) Speaking and Listening assessments.

		Homework: Preparation for Speaking and Listening assessments.
10.6	Mrs Jagpal and Miss Hunter	Continue preparing for your Speaking and Listening presentations – they will be recorded in each lesson.
10.7	Miss Shami & Miss Ahmed	<p>Monday 6th July 2026 (JAS) Literature Paper 1 Feedback</p> <p>Tuesday 7th July 2026 NIA Speaking and Listening assessments.</p> <p>Wednesday 8th July 2026 NIA Speaking and Listening assessments.</p> <p>Friday 10th July 2026 (JAS) Literature Paper 1 Feedback</p> <p>Homework: Preparation for Speaking and Listening assessments.</p>
10.8	Miss Mohamed & Mr Edwards	<p>Monday 6th July 2026 (Mr Edwards) Speaking and Listening rehearsals</p> <p>Tuesday 7th July 2026(Mr Edwards) Speaking and listening performances</p> <p>Friday 10th July 2026 (Miss Mohamed) 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:

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BBCbitesize.co.uk

GCSE Pod

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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 the second phase of PPEs. 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*. Year 13 will also complete their second coursework piece before half term.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including deadlines & resources
Year 12A	Mr Edwards Ms Sadique	Monday 7th July (Mr Edwards) Exam Feedback Tuesday 7th July 2026 (Ms Sadique) Edexcel Anthology: Podcast – close textual analysis. Homework: Continue drafting first coursework piece.
Year 13A	Mr Edwards Mr Harrison	Course completed.