

Remote Learning Guide

Drama



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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/>
- 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

Head of Department: G Edwards – g.edwards@holte.bham.sch.uk

What is your child learning this term?

This half-term, Year 7 will focus on **'Shakespeare: A Midsummer Night's Dream and Script Work.'** Pupils will explore the theory of drama skills and bring them to life through practical application. They will engage in physical performances, portraying Shakespeare's characters using tone, gestures, and body language to convey meaning and emotion effectively.

As part of their studies, pupils will also complete a written evaluation where they will analyse characterisation, reflect on performances, and explore ways to modernise the play to connect with contemporary audiences. This will develop their critical thinking and creative writing skills.

Homework will be set weekly to reinforce their learning, and tasks may include researching Shakespearean theatre, practicing script reading, or preparing short written reflections on their progress. Please ensure all homework is completed and submitted by the due date.

Resources

BBCbitesize.co.uk

Senecalarning.co.uk

Pupils will be set homework weekly so please ensure they are completing this by the due date.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including deadlines & resources
7.1	Mr Groves	Monday 16th March 2026 LTG A Midsummer Night's Dream L8- Written assessment- Go onto teams and revise the questions. Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
7.2	Miss Shami & Mr Groves	Monday 16th March 2026 LTG A Midsummer Night's Dream L8- Written assessment- Go onto teams and revise the questions. Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
7.3	Mr Groves	Wednesday 18th March 2026 A Midsummer Night's Dream L8- Written assessment- Go onto teams and revise the questions. Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
7.4	Miss Ahmed	Thursday 19th March 2026 A Midsummer Night's Dream Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
7.5	Miss Castleton	Monday 16th March 2026 A Midsummer Night's Dream Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
7.6	Mr Groves	Monday 16th March 2026 A Midsummer Night's Dream L8- Written assessment- Go onto teams and revise the questions.

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7.7	Mr Groves	<p>Tuesday 17th March 2026</p> <p>A Midsummer Night's Dream L8- Written assessment- Go onto teams and revise the questions.</p> <p>Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.</p>
7.8	Mr Groves	<p>Wednesday 18th March 2026</p> <p>A Midsummer Night's Dream L8- Written assessment- Go onto teams and revise the questions.</p> <p>Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.</p>

Year 8

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What is your child learning this term?

This half term Year 8 will be looking at Shakespeare in Drama and the play Macbeth. Pupils will work within groups to perform key scenes of the play. Pupils will understand how to use setting to create an exciting performance and focus on tone, gestures and voice. Each group will critique and evaluate both their own and their group performances.

Resources

BBCbitesize.co.uk
Senecalarning.co.uk

Homework will be set by individual teachers.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including deadlines & resources
8.1	Mr Groves	Tuesday 17th March 2026 Macbeth Lesson 08- Performance (Go over revision notes on teams) Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
8.2	Miss Castleton	Tuesday 17th March 2026 Macbeth Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
8.3	Mr Groves	Friday 20th March 2026 Macbeth Lesson 08- Performance (Go over revision notes on teams) Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
8.4	Mr Groves	Monday 16th March 2026 Macbeth Lesson 08- Performance (Go over revision notes on teams) Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
8.5	Ms Allen	Friday 20th March 2026 Macbeth Lesson 08- Performance (Go over revision notes on teams) Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
8.6	Miss Shami & Miss Ahmed	Friday 20th March 2026 Macbeth Complete all tasks and activities on the PowerPoint.
8.7	Mr Groves	Tuesday 17th March 2026 Macbeth Lesson 08- Performance (Go over revision notes on teams) Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
8.8	Miss Mohamed	Tuesday 17th March 2026 Macbeth Lesson 08- Performance (Go over revision notes on teams) Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.

Year 9

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What is your child learning this term?

This term pupils will focus on the play Blood Brothers looking at modern plays telling tales from within society. Pupils will read and perform key extracts from the play and consider the importance of narration, story telling and cultural aspects that affect every day lives.
Pupils will be expected to carry out extended scriptwriting and evaluations of their performances.

Resources:

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Senecalearning.co.uk

Homework will be set by individual teachers.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including deadlines & resources
9.1	Mr Groves	Tuesday 17th March 2026 Blood Brothers Lesson 09- Performance Assessment (Go over written revision notes on teams) Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
9.2	Miss Mohamed & Miss Shami	Tuesday 17th March 2026 (JAS) Blood Brothers Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
9.3	Mr Groves	Wednesday 18th March 2026 Blood Brothers Lesson 09- Performance Assessment (Go over written revision notes on teams) Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
9.4	Mr Groves	Thursday 19th March 2026 Blood Brothers Lesson 09- Performance Assessment (Go over written revision notes on teams) Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
9.5	Mr Groves	Monday 16th March 2026 Blood Brothers Lesson 09- Performance Assessment (Go over written revision notes on teams) Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
9.6	Miss Ahmed	Monday 16th March 2026 Blood Brothers Lesson 09- Performance Assessment (Go over written revision notes on teams) Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
9.7	Mr Groves	Thursday 19th March 2026 (Miss Castleton) Blood Brothers Complete PowerPoint and attached tasks and activities.
9.8	Mr Groves	Friday 20th March 2026

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