

COVID-19 Update, Mr Reynolds, Executive Principal, Monday 4th January 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

A quick reminder. At the time of writing, from tomorrow (Tuesday 5 January) online lessons will commence for Year 13 and Year 11 students. At this moment in time we are proceeding with Year 11 mock examination from w/c 11 January. For all other year groups lessons will begin on Wednesday 6 January.

Students should follow this guidance when accessing online learning:

- Each day will begin with a meeting from their Achievement Leader and Year Manager at **8.30am**
- Staff will invite the students to join a TEAMS meeting at the same time as their lesson would normally be timetabled.
- Each lesson will last 40 minutes to ensure students can maintain focus and engagement with their online learning. Apart from completing homework, there is not an expectation that students should be accessing lesson work past the end of the school day at 3pm

Year 9 – Students in Year 9 will follow the same times of the school day as Y7 and Y11. (Y9 don't have a split lunch when following their remote learning timetable) Any problems with accessing a specific subject TEAM or lesson please contact the teacher via email. For non-academic issues please contact Year Managers. Any students that are entitled to a laptop to use during this remote learning period and were not in the Academy on Friday 18 December can collect one from reception on Monday 4 January.

Advice for students working from home:

- Look out for your work on TEAMS and plan your day.
- Read the posts from your teachers so you know what you need for that lesson. If you are unsure message your teacher.
- The work is not optional and is the same as being in school. We expect you to be working as you would be at school.
- Make sure you have your break and go and do something different and away from a screen in that time.
- We are still here to help you even though you are working from home. Contact your class teachers or your year team if you need anything
- If you have IT problems please email enquires@consettacademy.org.uk

Timings of the school day: Year 7, 9, 11 and 6th Form

8.30 Start of the school day

8.45 Lesson 1

9.50 Break

10.05 Lesson 2

11.10 Lesson 3

12.15 Lunch

12.45 Lesson 4

13.50 Lesson 5

Timings of the school day: Year 8 and 10

8.30 Start of the school day

8.45 Lesson 1

9.50 Lesson 2

10.55 Break

11.10 Lesson 3

12.15 Lesson 4

13.20 Lunch

13.50 Lesson 5

Following the Prime Minister's address later this evening I may well be writing to you again tomorrow.