







20 March 2020

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

## **Home Learning**

As you are aware, after today most students will be working from home. We will still be here and will stay in regular contact, but it won't be face to face. This is part of the government's strategy to slow the coronavirus infection rate by reducing contact between people.

At home, students will be able to continue learning in their subjects using the **work packs** given to children today and the **on-line materials** supported by regular emails from teachers. This afternoon a letter with advice about working from home will be given to children along with the work pack.

**Work packs**: These include a folder, an exercise book, a pen, pencil and rubber and a work book for English, maths and science. We have worked hard over the past few days to produce these resources to help children get started with their learning at home. Years 7 and 8 also have a reading book included. If your child is not in school today, their packs can be collected from reception from 9.00am on Monday morning.

We will stay in contact with you and your children. Teachers will continue to work hard to support remote learning, but this will be very different to coming into school each day. Your children will need your support to get into a routine.

## Your children have been given the following advice:

- **Stay inside** during school hours and complete your learning. Aim to spend 3-4 hours on your learning.
- Organise a space where you can work and keep your books
- **Read every day**. Years 7 and 8 we have put a book in your work pack that we hope you like. You can swap it with others of you are able to once you've read it.
- Reading Plus: Log on to it every day and spend 30 mins reading and answering questions. There is a link on the student area of the website. The site code is rpparkc. Here's a reminder: <a href="https://student.readingplus.com/seereader/api/sec/login">https://student.readingplus.com/seereader/api/sec/login</a>

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- GCSEpod: Years 9 and 10 all have log-ons for GCSEpod. Your teachers have already created playlists for you to watch and summarise in your books
- Check your school emails each day if you can. Teachers will be checking how you are doing and offering support for your learning
- Contact us if you have any questions, problems or just need someone to talk to

## Year 11 parents

Your children have also been given a work pack and a separate letter. You will be sent this electronically. We will continue to support Year 11 students and when we are able to, we will ensure they officially leave Park in style.

We will update parents and students regularly and support learning remotely. We look forward to having all students back at school in the future, but for now it is important we all follow government advice.

Yours sincerely

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