

18th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers Year 9,

## Remote learning during partial school closure

Having carefully considered the challenges in providing education remotely we have taken the following into account:

- Parents will not want to be fielding multiple emails from school staff regarding class work.
- Few families have one computer for every member of the household.
- Not all families have superfast broadband access for streaming and media.

## Our aim:

Our aim as a school is to give parents a consistent, simple format of work being set each week, according to their child's timetable, via a single communication; which will be emailed on either a Friday afternoon, or a Monday morning. If you have specific questions regarding the work which has been set, please email the teacher directly via their school email (<u>initialsurname@st-edwards.poole.sch.uk</u>).

This weekly document will detail learning outcomes, tasks and assessment opportunities for each lesson they have the following week. All the resources needed will be uploaded to Sharepoint or will be detailed on the lesson information sheets.

Students have all accessed Sharepoint previously. As a reminder, we have attached a step by step guide for accessing SharePoint if required.

## We ask for your understanding on the following points:

- Schools are campus-based learning communities. We will do our very best to make a good educational provision for your child remotely.
- Staff working from home may not have access to all of their usual resources for enhancing learning.
- Staff may need to care for themselves, their children, or their loved-ones; and this may cause disruption to our ability to make a consistent educational provision.

As a school we have a particular concern for not only students on examination courses; but also those children, and their families, who look to the school to provide pastoral support. Again, we will do all that we can to help.

As a school community, we are grateful to you, our parents and carers, for working with us to see our children, and our staff safely through the challenging times ahead.

Yours sincerely,

Mr C Barnett Deputy Headteacher