

27th January 2022

Year 8 Students Moving Temporarily To Remote Learning From Friday 28th January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

I wrote to you earlier in the week to explain the staffing pressures we were experiencing because of Covid. I am afraid that these have continued in recent days and as a result we regrettably need to **move our Year 8 students to remote learning from Friday 28th January 2022**. Students in Year 8 should not come into school, and should log on to lessons from home, using Microsoft Teams: <https://tinyurl.com/Year8TeamsGroup>.

While I appreciate this may come as a disappointment, please be reassured that students are now very experienced in accessing their lessons online and will be able to follow a simple timetable that offers a broad and balanced curriculum, with time for independent work on assignments. This is best-practice and rooted in research around [Remote Learning](#).

Accessing Live Lessons

[A copy of their 'live learning' timetable can be found on our website here and all students have been given a printed copy of this today.](#)

We spoke to students before Christmas to prepare them for the possibility of remote learning and they should all know what to do. However, as a reminder, full details, including how to access log ons, are available on our website and have been shared with students again today: <https://www.corejewelleryquarter.academy/wp-content/uploads/sites/8/GuideForMSTeams.pdf> Students can request Office 365 password resets via the Forms section of the Piota app.

With isolations coming to an end and staff returning to school, I will review the arrangements and communicate with you on Thursday of next week (3rd February 2022).as to whether they need to end or be extended.

Support For Students And Families

Children in Year 8 of [critical workers](#) can attend on site to access the live lesson provision in a supervised way and this is reviewed on a case-by-case basis, depending on capacity, but you must make your circumstances known to us and provide sufficient evidence of employment via email on Thursday before 3pm to khinz@corejewelleryquarter.academy

Some Year 8 students are involved with Pet-XI, our school-led tutoring team, in a pre-organised event on Friday. They should attend on site as usual on Friday and you will receive a text today if your child is part of this group.

Students have also taken their guided reading books home today so they can continue this excellent work together in form times from home.

We are happy to provide support to access live learning. If you require a laptop to enable your child to do this, **you must come to Reception on Thursday between 9am and 2.30pm to arrange a collection**, after signing a 'laptop loan' agreement with us.

You will also be welcome to collect 'grab bags' of food from Reception, such is our commitment, if your child is entitled to Free School Meals. This can be collected on a daily basis, beginning Friday.

Please accept my apologies for any inconvenience this may cause and thank you once again for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



Mr J Barton – Head of School