

17th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

As you are aware, recent communications from the Government has recommended that children and adults with the most serious health conditions should be '...largely shielded from social contact...' With this in mind, we are very keen for our young people to continue with their learning whilst they are social distancing at home.

Over the past weeks in preparation for remote learning we have put measures in place to allow our students to continue with their school work whilst at home, via our school website <u>www.lonsdale.herts.sch.uk</u>

We have added an additional area to the website, titled 'Student Area'. On this page are individual tabs for each class, with details of work set by Form Tutors and class teachers from Wednesday 18th March 2020. A Home Learning Plan will give instructions of how to complete the work, together with details as to how students should submit this work to receive feedback from their teachers. In addition, the Form Tutors email address has been included for each class, and parents and students are encouraged to keep in touch with their Form Tutor on a daily basis. Although these are unusual times for us all, the staff at Lonsdale are committed to support and encourage students to fully participate in their learning whilst they are learning remotely.

Details of how to access the Student Area are:

- Go to our website <u>www.lonsdale.herts.sch.uk</u>
- Click on the 'Student Area' tab towards the top right hand side of the screen
- To log on, enter username and password provided.
- Click on the tab for your child's Form Group on the right hand side
- Work to be completed with be attached, together with instructions of how to submit back to the Form Tutor to be marked.

Should you have any problems in accessing any of these documents, the Form Tutor's email address is shown for each form group.



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The tab "All Sorts of Things" is loaded with a wealth of resources for all ages, stages and areas of interest. You can tap into the resources in "All Sorts of Things" if you would like to do some more or different activities after you completed the Home Learning tasks you were set. These activities will be changes once a week with new activities going up and some activities being removed. So check back there regularly!

During remote learning, or in the event of a school closure, it is expected that your child will be supervised. In common with holiday times, any safeguarding issues are your responsibility as parents. Should you have any concerns about the safeguarding of a child during this period you should call: 0300 1234 043, the number for Children's Services. Any Safeguarding concerns should also be raised with Anne Smart, Lonsdale School Designated Senior Lead by email <u>asmart@lonsdale.herts.sch.uk</u>

These are unusual and worrying times for us all however by maintaining the children's education we hope to maintain an element of normality and routine for our young people.

I shall be contactable at any time during the term; should you have any questions regarding Home Learning, please email me on <u>cthiele@lonsdale.herts.sch.uk</u>

With kind regards

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