



Penryn
College

'Achieving through Challenge'

5th January 2021

Dear Parent/Carer(s)

How quickly things can change. I will endeavour to update you daily this week so we can keep you informed of how things are progressing.

Communication

We will retain a fully operating front office and technician service. If there is anything that is worrying you, or there is anything you or your child cannot access, please do not hesitate to contact us on secretary@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk for general enquiries, and on icttech@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk or 01326 372379 (extension 1241) for enquiries about iPads and the Virtual School. If your child has any subject concerns, they should contact the relevant teachers via Showbie.

Remote learning

We will now switch to our remote learning package. The cornerstone of this is setting work and ensuring it is fully supported before students receive high-quality feedback at the end of the week. This week, work will be on the Virtual School by midday on Wednesday 6 January, and should be handed in by 10.00am on Friday 15 January. If teachers need to provide additional work for this period, they will set this by midday on Monday 11 January. This work should also be handed in by Friday 15 January at 10.00am. As usual, if there are any problems with work, students should contact the relevant teachers via Showbie.

We will supplement this with some 'live teaching', which we believe is a useful supporting tool. We will have some provision for this in the week beginning Monday 11 January, and our programme will develop further in the following weeks.

You can find guides for ensuring a positive home working environment, which may be of use to you and your child, via the following links: [Resource 4 – Guidance for Students Working from Home](#); [Resource 5 – Parent and Carer Guide for Supporting Home Learning](#); [Resource 6 – How we will set work and how you can help](#).

Key worker, vulnerable, and ARB students

Thank you to those of you who have signed up for this week's provision for key worker, vulnerable, and ARB students. Please remember to sign up by 9.00am tomorrow (Wednesday 6 January) to book a slot for this week. You can access the Provision Sign-Up form [here](#).

Year 11



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The government have announced that exams will not go ahead as planned; however, there is no clarity about what will replace them. Therefore, we will continue to teach students as if they will be assessed at the end of the year, and our advice to Year 11 pupils is that they continue to work really hard in all of their subjects, but try not to worry about what will happen next.

The OCR National exam for Business and Enterprise is still due to take place on Wednesday 13 January. We will update you on our arrangements for this in the next few days, but we strongly advise that students prepare for this exam.

Free School Meal vouchers

We will clarify arrangements for families in receipt of Free School Meals when we receive further information.

iPads

If your child's iPad is broken or not functioning properly, please contact our ICT Tech team on icttech@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk or on 01326 372379 (extension 1241).

Contact us

As usual, if you have any concerns then please let me know.

Kind regards

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