



St. Joseph's RC High School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Firstly, I would like to thank you for your continued support particularly last week when Year 8 were required to go home. I was very proud of how the year group conducted themselves on Thursday. This would have been impossible without your support.

Year 8 have made such a positive and successful return to St Joseph's already. Pupils have actively engaged in classroom-based tasks and teachers have been speaking to me on a daily basis about how impressed they are with their work ethic and positive attitude.

While on-site education has taken a pause, pupils will be provided with online education via Google Classroom to complete at home. On Friday you will have been emailed the Fortnightly Learning Plan for the next two weeks. On here is a summary of the topics pupils will be studying in each subject and the tasks which they should hand in. Although the 'deadline' date may be in two weeks, it is advised that each day, pupils follow their school timetable and hand in work on Google Classroom as they complete it. This will help spread the workload into manageable chunks. Pupils can complete work either on Google docs, word or in their exercise books. If they choose to complete work in their exercise books, they can take a photo of their work and upload that to Google Classroom. If you have any concerns regarding technical problems with Google Classroom please email techsupport@sjhs.newport.sch.uk. Departmental specific questions can also be asked via the private chat function on the pupils' individual subject Google Classrooms. Subject teachers will be online during Year 8's timetabled lessons so this would be an ideal time for pupils to contact them.

Over the next week the form tutors and myself will be making 'keeping in touch' phone calls to each family in order to have a catch up with the pupils and also provide support if needed. If pupils have a question for their form tutor or myself they can also message us on their form group Google Classroom and we will be more than happy to help. Their form Google Classroom is also an ideal forum for pupils to ask one another questions about specific tasks and share ideas.

If a pupil does not have access to either a PC / Laptop / Chromebook / iPad or other relevant device to complete work (this does not include mobile phones) or if a pupil does not have access to the internet, please can I ask that you email me on swebster@sjhs.newport.sch.uk as soon as possible. If you're unable to email then please phone 01633 653123 for further support.

I look forward on welcoming Year 8 back to school on Monday 28th September.

Kind regards

Miss S Webster
Head of Year 8

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