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Dear Parents/Carers

Coronavirus - Bulletin - 18/3/20

We would like to thank you for your continued cooperation and understanding and we hope you are finding our daily bulletin helpful. This slightly earlier bulletin will hopefully assist you with your plans over the next few days. Should there be any further developments during the day we will update you accordingly.

Partial Closure Changes– Whilst we have been able to manage to remain open to the majority of students so far, due to increased staff absence, we will have to adapt our partial closure arrangements for the next few days. Thursday 19th and Friday 20th March, Years 8, 10 and 12 will be required to study at home. Students should access their learning online as outlined below. School will remain open as normal for Years 7, 9, 11 and 13.

Absent Students – For those students who are not in school due to any illness or due to year group absence, school work will be set on GO 4 Schools and/or email. We have found that the Go4Schools website is updated much quicker with students' work. Yesterday, we had reports of very little work set for students via the App and yet there was significantly more on the website. Work will be set for every lesson for each examination class in Years 10 and 12 whilst they are working from home. Other year groups, the work may be more thematic, project based and/or extended learning.

Please see the attached list of websites that students should use to work online. Many of these can be used by students to work independently without specific work being set by class teachers. These are also available on the school website here: www.qegs.link/usefullinks. If you are not able to access online work, please do let us know as alternatives can be provided, please contact enquiries@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk.

Healthy Body and Mind - In the coming days (and possibly weeks) we will also be suggesting challenges and tasks for students to complete with the aim of maintaining a healthy body and mind. Such as baking, taking a walk, reading a book and many other, possibly taken for granted, but worthwhile activities. We will be using our Instagram and Twitter accounts to keep a track of students' and staff efforts whilst working from home.

Communication – Reminder that non-essential queries are to be kept to a minimum so that we can devote our time to priority and urgent matters. Should you need to make contact with us, if there is anything that you don't know and need to know, please email enquiries@qegs.email and refrain from coming into school or telephoning unless in an emergency, as we need to keep our telephone lines as free as possible.

We ask that you remind your children to wash their hands as often as possible, certainly at the start of the day, at break and lunch times. The toilets will continue to be open and accessible all day.

To help support students through these uncertain times, please encourage your child to talk to their Form Tutor and/or Progress Leader about anything that is concerning them.

Yours faithfully

Scott Garrity
Headteacher

Links and log on details for websites for online learning

Doddlearn. Used by English (y7-11), Maths (y7-11) and Science (y7-13)

www.doddlearn.co.uk

Institution: type de6 and choose QEGS

Username: usually QEGS username Password: queenelizabeth (all lower case, no s, unless you have changed it).

Seneca Learning Resources for all subjects.

<https://www.senecalearning.com/>

Resources for all subjects. Can be set by teachers, but students can work through independently.

Students set up their own accounts. We recommend they do this using their school email address. Teachers can provide class codes if they have set these up.

BBC Bitesize All subjects at Key Stage 3 and GCSE

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

Kerboodle Science, MFL, Maths and Geography

<https://www.kerboodle.com/users/login> used by Science, MFL, Maths and Geography. Includes textbooks for these subjects and your teachers can set you assignments.

Your username is usually your initial and your surname, so John Smith is jsmith for example.

The password should be the same as the username unless the students have already changed them.

The Institution Code is pry3.

MFL Websites

www.linguascope.com Username: queeneli Password: ilovelangs

www.languagesonline.org.uk No logon needed

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zhsvr82> No logon needed

English Websites

Mr Bruff YouTube Channel. www.youtube.com/channel/UCM2vdqz-7e4HAuzhpFuRY8w

Music Websites

www.qegs.link/music No logon needed

Creative Digital Media Websites

<http://www.qegs.link/cdm> Students should all have their logins

Maths Websites

<https://www.mymaths.co.uk/> -login QEGSA password triangle

<https://corbettmaths.com/> All free access. Videos, worksheets and answers for all maths topics

<https://mathswatch.co.uk/> Students should all have their logins.

Login details generally are:

InitialSurname@queenelizabeths password QEGSmaths

Eg jsmith@queenelizabeths

Some students have a 1 or 2 after their surname due to multiplies. Please contact your maths teacher if you cannot logon.

Science Websites

<https://www.youtube.com/c/primrosekittenscience> and

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqbOeHaAUXw9II7sBVG3_bw both have videos on all GCSE topics