



Clacton County High School Weekly News

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Welcome to our first issue of the New Year, we trust that you were able to enjoy the festive period, despite the Covid-19 restrictions.

It may feel that we find ourselves back at square one with the school closed once again but, with the prospects of a robust vaccination programme ready to roll out, there is definitely some light at the end of the tunnel and we can now begin to feel more optimistic about the not too distant future. However, we still have some challenging times ahead of us both as a school and as a community.

Year 7 Virtual Parents' Evening

We apologise to our Year 7 parents and carers that we had to postpone the virtual parents' evening last night, due to the events of this week. This will now take place next Thursday evening (14th January). Parents and carers will have received notification of this change through the School Cloud platform, which we are using for our virtual parents' evenings.

A Return to Remote Learning

After the Government's announcement on Monday, we have now returned to teaching our students remotely. Parents and carers, as well as students, will have received information, via email, [a letter regarding the remote learning timetable](#).

This will be in place until at least February half-term (w/c 15th February). Next week,

students will follow the WEEK 2 lessons on their timetable – [Timetable details for each year group are available here](#).

Students will now follow their two-week timetable with four lessons for them to attend each day, including at least one "live" lesson at a set time. The other three lessons will vary from a whole pre-recorded lesson to a pre-recorded introduction or demonstration. The details for each lesson will be posted on Show My Homework (SMHW).

Timings of the daily live lessons are as follows:

9:00am	- Year 7 Live lesson
10:00am	- Year 8 Live lesson
11:30am	- Year 9 Live lesson
12:30pm	- Year 10 Live lesson
2:00pm	- Year 11 Live lesson

It is recommend that students follow the published lesson times and subject schedule, although pre-recorded lessons may be completed at an alternative time each day.

NB. Live lessons will be recorded and available to students after the lesson has finished in the event that they miss the lesson, or wish to revisit the topic to check their understanding.



We realise that it may be taking some time for students to settle back into studying at home again, but we are here to help - our [Remote Learning Webpage](#) has all the information that students and parents require to support their remote learning. This includes details of how to access the work set for students on Show My Homework, Google Classroom and Live Lessons, via Google Meet, along with tips and links to a number of 'How to' guides and video clips, detailing how students can log into the various online platforms that teachers are utilising.

- If students have problems with accessing SMHW, it is possible to access this platform without a login, by just filtering by year group and subject. [Click here to view an explanatory video](#).
- If students have problems with accessing any of our learning platforms, please follow the information provided on our [Remote Learning Webpage](#) before contacting the school.
- If there are any IT issues, please contact the school by emailing - admin@cchs.school
Alternatively, the school reception is open from 9am to 3pm each weekday.
- If students have any questions regarding the online learning activities, they should use the messaging facilities in SMHW or Google Classroom to contact the teachers directly.

We are sure that you agree that it is important for students to follow a structured weekday routine – getting up at the same time as they would normally, if school was open, and settling down to work for set periods during each day. The effective independent learning habits that they develop during this period of home study will stay with them for the rest of their lives. Maintaining good study practices over the coming weeks will also ensure a smoother transition back to school once we are open again. We cannot stress enough the importance of keeping the mind active and continuing with the learning programme whether this be at Key Stage 3, GCSE or A Level.

Many students are submitting the work they have already completed through Show My Homework and Google Classroom – keep up the good work! Together we can succeed!



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