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Dear Parents/carers

Following the confirmation of the year 8 bubble needing to isolate I am writing with further details of the arrangements regarding remote learning for the students affected. As a reminder, students accessing the Hub/Resource Base can continue to attend school as normal as they have been in a separate bubble.

As a reminder, students affected will be returning to school on Wednesday 2nd December.

Today students in year 8 have been able to access work through Show My Homework with tasks set as classwork. Students have also had the opportunity to continue with homework tasks already set this week. As a reminder, students should login to SMHW by clicking the 'Sign in with Office365' button and entering their school email address and the password they use to login to the school computers.

From **Friday 20th November** all year 8 students will have a blended approach of virtual/live lessons and remote learning resources. Students will continue to follow their timetable from home, as can be seen on the timetable (showing the next 6 days) attached as a separate file – see Appendix 1. The timetable for the following week will be sent out in due course. The timetable also indicates that there will be a daily check in for students at 8:30 every day with a member of staff.

The lessons highlighted in white will be lessons that students can access through SMH, as they have been doing today.

The lessons highlighted in yellow for each teaching group will be the ones where students can access the live lesson/see their teacher in a recorded lesson. Students will need to use Microsoft Teams to access these lessons. Microsoft Teams can be accessed by all students through Microsoft Office365 online, again entering their school email address and password.

Attached is another document that will help students and parents familiarise themselves with the way to access this platform. This includes details of who to seek guidance from, if required. (see Appendix 2)

Should a member of staff be ill, their 'Live Lesson' will revert to a 'Remote Learning' lesson. Remote Learning, as mentioned, is the plan for the lessons shown in white. Here work will be provided on Show My Homework. Show My Homework will also be used as the method of submitting work and receiving feedback from teachers. As ever please do contact me if you need any clarification.

I look forward to checking in with year 8 students at 8:30am tomorrow morning.

Take care and be kind

Mrs Dee Elliott Head teacher