SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD WITH REMOTE LEARNING

Over the past few weeks, students have been shown how to access remote learning for each of their subjects, via demonstrations in assemblies and in their lessons. Although many have had the opportunity to practise accessing this work, it is not the students usual way of working, so they will probably need to familiarise themselves with the process, and revisit the instructions.

KS3

The vast majority of remote KS3 (Year 7-9) work is accessed through the online portal itslearning. This can be accessed via the school website or at https://isleofman.itslearning.com/. Your child will login using their 'RAN' login which is the same one they use to login to any school laptop or desktop computer.

Some of the tasks set on itslearning may require your child to login to Google Docs. You may need to download Google Drive onto your child's device so that they can access the Google Suite.

KS4 & KS5

KS4 (Year 10&11) and KS5 (Year 12&13) remote learning will be accessed via either itslearning or Google Classroom. Students already know their logins for these platforms and which platform their teachers use.

Issues

If your child cannot access the online learning platforms, in the first instance we suggest trying to login on a different browser, turning the device off and then on again or logging in again a short time later. If there are still problems logging on, please refer to the help videos on the school website or please get in touch with the school via CRHSEnquiries@sch.im

Remote Learning Expectations

As a school, our remote learning expectations are in-line with those issued by the DESC. We will offer meaningful online learning of a similar proportion to the students' school timetables. We will also be asking students to complete a daily 'check-in' via a survey, which allows them to let us know that everything's okay, request a phone call, or request an email. The link to the 'check-in' will be accessible via our school website and the itslearning homepage. Students will need to login using their usual 'RAN' login and password, **but** they must add @sch.im at the end of their username (see example below).

School Username: 07joebloggs
Username to access daily check-in: 07joebloggs**@sch.im**

Role of Students

We recommend that, as much as is practicable, your child follows a routine at home when learning remotely. Time spent on subjects should reflect the weighting those subjects have in the weekly timetable. Remote tasks will have clear deadlines for completion and regular feedback will be given by our teachers.

We would like our students, when learning remotely, to:

1. Establish a routine for remote school work each weekday, using their school timetable as a guide
2. Meet remote deadlines set by teachers
3. Respond to remote feedback as appropriate
4. Be self-motivated and manage time effectively
5. Keep up to date with and manage school communications,
6. Communicate with teachers/tutors as appropriate and complete the daily check in.

If a student in not engaging with online learning, the school will contact home to offer support and guidance to enable your child to learn remotely.

Role of Parents

We recommend that parents support their child's remote learning by:

1. Keeping up to date with school communications and sharing these with their children
2. Providing encouragement in supporting their children with remote learning
3. Creating, where possible, a suitable location for home learning – ideally a quiet place with a desk or table and no distractions such as games consoles nearby
4. Encouraging a regular remote learning routine using the school timetable as a guide and reminding them to do the daily check in.
5. Planning the week ahead on a Sunday or Monday morning
6. Sharing any concerns regarding remote learning or wellbeing with the school

As a school, we can potentially lend students suitable devices, and offer paper-based alternatives to online learning for those experiencing difficulties learning remotely. Please get in touch with the school if you feel that either of these would be useful options for your child.

In the event of any remote learning scenario, important information we need to pass on to students will be emailed out in newsletters to both parents and students - students will receive these emails through their @online.sch.im email address.

We really hope that we will not experience a further lockdown of the scale we witnessed at the start of this year; however, we want everyone to feel prepared for that eventuality. We would appreciate you taking the time to familiarise yourselves and your children with these arrangements, just in case there is a need at any point this academic year.