

14th April 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well during these challenging times.

Below is an update on home learning, which includes a timetable for online “live lessons” and additional tasks. The work included below is to be used in addition to the work sent in the previous communication regarding learning, sent on 26th March 2020. Further communication regarding work for students will be sent by the end of week 2 of the summer term (1st May 2020).

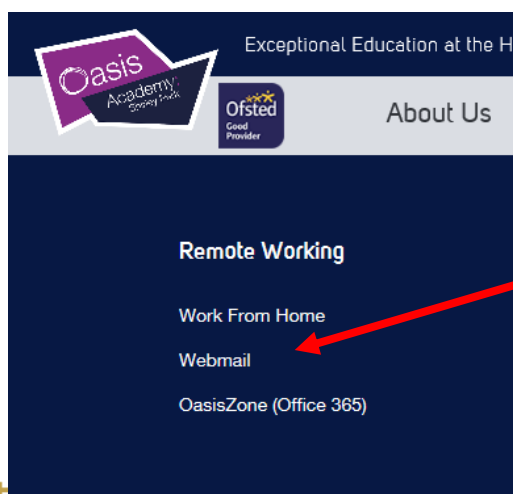
Home learning

Students were provided with knowledge organisers and self-quizzing resources on their last day in school, and should be using these daily to quiz. Details of our Curriculum can be found on the Academy website (under “Curriculum”) and knowledge organisers can also be found on the Academy website (under “Learning Resources”). We will be launching “live” online lessons in Microsoft Teams from Monday 20th April, and students will have 6 live lessons per week.

We have also looked at various online platforms to support home learning, and additionally have set some specific tasks for subjects where online platforms were not suitable. This letter outlines key information regarding which resources to use and how to access these.

Live lessons from home

We will be introducing “live” online lessons from Monday April 20th 2020. For this, students will need access to their Academy email address. To access, please visit the Academy website and scroll to the bottom of the page. In the “Remote Working” section select “Webmail.” This will also allow students to email their teachers any questions.



Once selected, students can log in. If there is an issue logging in, using a different email address please email servicedesk@oasisuk.org outlining the student, academy and issue.

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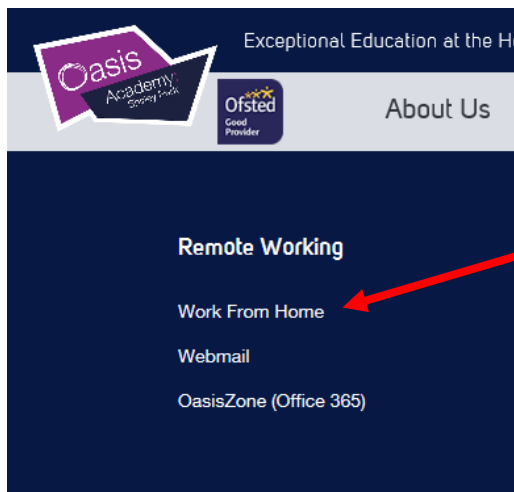
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Students will then need to access Microsoft Teams. This can be downloaded onto laptops/computers, and is also available as an app. Students can log in using their Academy email address. Information on how to login to Microsoft Teams is attached. Further guidance can also be found on the “Work From Home” section on the website, again at the bottom of the page.



Once selected, students have more guidance on a range of online services, including Microsoft Teams. Any issues please email servicedesk@oasisuk.org outlining the student, academy and issue.

Once logged in, students will have access to virtual classrooms. Their teachers will invite them to lessons, and lessons will be delivered virtually. Teachers will set students online assignments for students to complete, and they will be able to communicate via the chat function. It is important students turn off their video and audio, they attend all sessions, submit their assignments and remain professional on the chat at all times. There will be a follow up for any students who behave poorly during these online lessons and those who do not attend or complete assignments.

Students will have 6 “live” lessons per week. We will gradually expand this platform so all subjects can set assignments online, and so all year groups have “live” lessons. It would be really useful if students have paper and their pencil case available for these sessions.

Please see the timetable for year 7 for week beginning 20th April below, it is important students are logged into their class for the start time:

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
	Spanish Band X (for half the year group: students who usually have their lessons on Monday)	Humanities (half the year group will study History and half will study Geography)	Science	Maths
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
English	Spanish Band X (for half the year group: students who usually have their lessons on Tuesday)	Humanities (the groups rotate and half the year group will study Geography and half will study History)		

Other tasks

On the following page are the additional tasks set by teachers. These are to be used in addition to “live” lessons, the assignments set on Microsoft Teams and also alongside the work set in the previous communication, which students should continue to work on.

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Subject	Task	Contact
Science	Complete task on radiation, conduction, convection and insulation.	Any issues regarding Science please email Robert.owen@oasisshirleypark.org
Spanish	Join Quizlet and click the link below: https://quizlet.com/join/QSeHUNvdK There are quizzes and games linked to the vocabulary on students' knowledge organisers.	Any issues regarding Spanish please email Lucia.ruggiero@oasisshirleypark.org
Geography	Complete the Geography home learning project (see appendices).	Any issues regarding Geography please email Magdalena.komorowska@oasisshirleypark.org
Dance	Complete year 7 Dance project (see appendices).	Any issues regarding Dance please email Jennifer.hill@oasisshirleypark.org
Art	Complete Art Summer 1 independent project (see appendices).	Any issues regarding Art please email Francesca.sealey@oasisshirleypark.org

Other home learning activities

There are other activities to support students' learning at home. We have updated this since our last communication:

- **Reading:** students should read for at least half an hour each day. This could be a book, or articles online. A reading list for your year group is attached.
- **Diary writing:** we have attached 2 lessons regarding diary writing, to additionally support students' writing skills.
- **Self-quizzing:** students should self-quiz every day using the knowledge organisers provided. Please use the self-quizzing guidance sheet to support.
- **Educational websites:** there are lots of great resources available. Please look at the list of educational resources in the appendices for inspiration. Geography have also included some optional online tasks for students.

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- **Physical exercise:** Joe Wicks is holding a live PE lesson to be completed in your home on his Youtube Channel each day at 9am. Visit <https://www.youtube.com/user/thebodycoach1> . We previously attached a range of online Dance classes to encourage getting the whole family moving!
- **Get creative:** we want students to be as creative as possible whilst at home. Please see the supporting information from Music (updated since the last communication), Drama and Art.
- **BBC Bitesize:** a great website with lots of learning resources and activities for students. From April 20th, online lessons will be published daily for all ages.

We hope you find these resources helpful and supportive for your son/daughter's studying at home.

For any queries, please utilise the email contacts for each subject detailed. Alternatively for any general enquiries, please email either Rosemarie Stevens, Head of Year 7, at Rosemarie.stevens@oasisshirleypark.org, or the Academy office at Admin@oasisshirleypark.org and this will be directed to the relevant department or teacher.

Kind regards,



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Appendices

- Science task
- Geography home learning project
- Dance project
- Art independent project
- KS3 reading list
- Diary writing resources
- Creativity at home information: Music
- Creativity at home information: Art drawing challenge
- Creativity at home information: Drama and Theatre making at home
- KS3 Geography optional tasks
- Self-quizzing guidance
- MS teams student guide
- MS teams detailed guide

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