<u>Overview</u>

Remote learning both full or partial can be used by schools for a range of reasons, for example: extreme weather conditions, unforeseen site issues, limited site access, a national or local lockdown. This document has been produced to give you an overview of our approach to remote education.

During a national lockdown, we will follow advice and guidance received from the government which may require changes to our current approach. We would provide regular updates via our website, social media channels and SchoolGateway.

Work provided during periods of remote education due to a national or local lockdown will be of high quality, meaningful, ambitious, and cover an appropriate range of subjects to enable students to keep on track with their education.

Where students have access to appropriate devices, remote education might include recorded and / or live direct teaching time, as well as time for students to complete tasks, reading, and assignments independently, depending on their age and stage of development.

Free school meals in the event of a national lockdown

In the event of a national lockdown, where students eligible for benefits-related free school meals are receiving remote education, the school will work with our catering team to provide access to lunch parcels or communicate any food voucher schemes the government may be providing at that time.

Attendance

Remote education should not be viewed as an equal alternative to attendance to school, however, if we do have to use remote education it is imperative your child attends all remote lessons provided by the school. These can be accessed via their Outlook calendar within Office 365.

Snow day plan/Adverse Weather plan

How will we be notified?

In the event of a partial or whole school closure, parents/carers will be notified via School Gateway, the school website and our social media accounts as soon as the decision has been made.

We will also notify the Local Authority who advertise school closures on their website and social media accounts.

Remote form time

If the school had to close due to adverse weather, your child will be sent a Teams invite to a form time meeting with their form tutor to start at 9am. All students are **expected** to attend this meeting where a register will be called, key information and notices provided. This meeting will run between 9-9.15am. Form time on Teams will take place each morning of any closure due to adverse weather.

All students have an Office 365 account and can access Teams via the link from the student link page on our website. If at any point you need IT support or have any questions about how to access Teams during remote learning, please do contact our IT support service: <u>Sutton</u> <u>Coldfield Grammar School for Girls - IT Support</u>

Study

Students will be expected to access their learning whilst working from home, below is guidance on how they could do this:

- Revisit and consolidate prior learning by reading and making notes from the topics covered so far this term in each subject. Use the large range of subject checklists on the school website under the curriculum tab to support this work.
- Pearson revise has been launched with KS4. All students can access ebooks for the majority of their subjects and work through these alongside the mini assessment feature within the platform. Students can also create online flash cards using Pearson revise.
- Follow the link on our website to our super-curricular offer and explore and complete the vast range of activities within a specific subject <u>Sutton Coldfield Grammar School</u> <u>for Girls Super-curricular</u>
- <u>https://www.educake.co.uk/</u> for resources and activities for science. Students can navigate topics independently, set their own questions and consolidate prior learning.
- <u>https://www.drfrost.org/</u> for resources and questions on every topic covered in each half term by every year group.
- Practice your musical instrument or revise for a subject.
- Read a book and write a book report, our online library catalogue: <u>News Sutton</u> <u>Coldfield Girls School - Library - Oliver</u>
- A range of subject resource links can be found here: <u>Sutton Coldfield Grammar School</u> for Girls - Student Links

If your child struggles to find work that would support their learning, they are encouraged to message their teacher using Teams.

The above information is to support your child **if** remote learning had to take place due to adverse weather and the school takes the decision to close. We do hope this does not happen; however, we also want to be prepared for any unforeseen circumstances that the weather can create.