



HOLY SOULS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

"a place where we pray together and everyone is important"

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Tuesday 5th January 2021

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Remote Learning

Your child is absent from school due to the current National Lockdown. All schools are required to provide children with remote learning during this time. At Holy Souls we are using Oak National Academy as the main source of our remote learning provision. This online classroom has been created by teachers specifically to support pupils' learning at home. Oak is a free website available at www.thenational.academy and is fully backed by the Department for Education.

You will be provided with a Home Learning Schedule. This schedule will outline the activities they are required to complete over a two week period. New schedules will be emailed out every second Friday. In accordance with Government guidance, your child will be set work in a number of subjects which complements the work which would be taking place in their class at school.

You can access Oak's online classroom on any device, you don't need to log in or remember a password. Your child can access lessons across a range of subjects. Each lesson is delivered by a trained teacher, over a pre-recorded video, and it's very clear at the start of each session anything you might need (such as pens, paper etc). The lessons are designed to need minimal supervision, although this will depend on the age of your child.

You will also be provided with a suggested timetable to follow on each day of the week. This a guide to organise your child's learning over the course of a week, however please feel free to complete the lessons from your schedule in the way which most suits your child's needs.



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How do I use Oak National Academy?

Included in this pack is a step by step guide to accessing remote lessons on the Oak National Academy website. By using the Home Learning Schedule and following these steps, you will be able to find the lessons for your child to complete. We have included some frequently asked questions on how to make the most of the Oak National Academy site.

How will my child's teacher know what they have done?

Your child's teacher will make contact via telephone on a weekly basis during lockdown. This will be as a general well-being check but also to see how your child is managing with their remote learning.

You will be required to provide written feedback via email at the end of each week (Friday) about your child's learning. A year group email address will be provided which for you to contact your child's class teacher. This feedback should detail what has gone well, what they are finding difficult and any general comments or feedback you wish to pass on. This will also serve as an important record of your child's learning during lockdown and **must** be completed.

You will also be able to contact your child's class teacher on this email address if your child has any specific difficulties with their work or if you have any questions relating to the activities on the home learning schedule, on a daily basis. They will endeavour to respond to your query on the same working day.

We also request that you take photos and send us pictures of the work your child is carrying out and email these to the year group email so we can celebrate their successes with you.





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Morning activities via Zoom

To further support your child's learning, from week commencing 11/01/21 we will be introducing a morning greeting via zoom. Each morning you will be required to log on to a zoom meeting with one of your child's year group teachers. They will say daily prayers with your child and give a brief outline of the work to be completed that day. We feel that this would be an essential element to maintaining your child's relationship with school and motivating them with their learning.

Further details will be provided via email by 08/01/21.

We look forward to sharing this exciting (and different!) learning experience with you and your child!

Thank you,

Mrs Pettigrew and Mrs Kielstra

Please select the correct email address for your child's year group:

reception@holysoul.bham.sch.uk
year1@holysoul.bham.sch.uk
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