



Seahaven Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers

RE: COVID-19 Update 1st May 2020

Childcare provision

- Thank you for your continued support for both our 'learning from home' and on-site provision. In line with Government guidance, we are now offering only an extremely limited childcare facility for children where parents or carers are in a critical front-line position, or for children and young people who are considered vulnerable according to the guidelines provided to us.
- **Childcare provision will be open for Monday 4th May, 8am- 3pm. Childcare will also be available for the Bank Holiday, Friday 8th May.**

Learning from Home

- It is essential that students complete as much of the work that is set each day as they can in order to avoid falling behind in their learning. Form tutors are checking in with their classes each week to check their students are all coping with the work and TAs and Pastoral Leaders are also making regular contact where needed. If you have concerns about your child engaging with the work, we are setting please let us know and we will arrange for a Pastoral Leader or other colleague to contact you and offer support.
- Friday 8th May is a Bank Holiday to remember and celebrate VE day. This is instead of the usual May Day holiday on a Monday. Therefore, there will be work set online on Monday 4th May, but no work set online on Friday 8th May.
- Year 11 will now have received a letter outlining their learning from home provision for the next few weeks and a link to a booklet with all the resources they may need. This is also on our website and will be updated regularly.

General

- Year 9 students will receive a link today to the online options programme and a letter explaining how to fill in the forms.
- Careers updates from Mr Hafernik: We are continuing to support and give online guidance for careers and pathways, to any student who may need this support. Y7 and Y8 will be able to access the PSHE activities and lessons that will incorporate all aspects of health, well-being, self-evaluation and independent thinking and learning. These are all vital attributes to be confident and successful in this ever-changing world we live in. They give the opportunities for students to think about where their strengths lie and how this might be beneficial for them in the future. In Year 9,



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all students who wished to speak with the Independent careers adviser surrounding Options choices had the opportunity to do so. All students were further supported by their Pastoral leads, tutor, Key stage directors and the Senior leadership team to ensure that the process was clear and the transition as smooth as possible. Year 10 will continue to have the opportunity to sign up for their East Sussex College taster day. The link will be sent out shortly where student can choose up to 4 different subject they may wish to look in to as they move on to further education. In addition, we have already had a number of students in Y10 access our online Careers Adviser, these have been attached for you. In Y11 we are still supporting any student who needs assistance with their college destination. This can be done by contacting Mrs Bosley, Ms Thomas or Mr Hafernik. We are working closely with 1 2 1 support from the Youth Employability Scheme and County to ensure that no student is left disadvantaged or without a secure place for September.

- Students will receive a Student Challenge by email and via the Student Bulletin to keep them busy over the next few days.
- We would like to send our best wishes to students and families who are observing Ramadan at the present time. We know that for this and other religious festivals, the lockdown period presents significant challenges to routines and usual practices. If we can offer any support to students and families as they take part in events which are so important to their lives in such difficult circumstances, please do not hesitate to contact us.
- We would also like to express our sincere thanks to Londis in Newhaven for having provided so many food support parcels for families in need in the local school communities and also to Sussex Police who have also offered to support relief parcels for those who need them over the coming weeks.

Yours sincerely

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