

Learning from Teams week

This week we gave students access to our Wi-Fi to enable to log on and experience Teams, our online live learning platform. All students should now know exactly what each “remote class” looks like and in the event of an emergency school closure, or a local lockdown, lessons can be delivered remotely through to a tablet, laptop, or mobile device.

Some students have still not downloaded the App to their phone. The App is free and is accessible on the app store and play store. Please remember all versions of Microsoft Office are also free whilst they are a student here at the school and they can download up to five copies on multiple devices.

Teams download to devices

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.microsoft.teams&hl=en_GB (Google Play store)

<https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/microsoft-teams/id1113153706> (Apple)

Help pages on SLG https://gateway.dorothy-stringer.co.uk/DSHS/student/Pages/Help_Teams.aspx

Remote Learning; if your child is well, but self-isolating, and does not have access to a device please contact Ms Sam de Banks-Hirst on fso@dorothy-stringer.co.uk

Online Safety Newsletter

We have added the October Online Safety Newsletter to the e-Safety page of our website which you can view by following this link:

https://public.dorothy-stringer.co.uk/ds/Pages/e_safety_links.aspx

World Mental Health Day

Saturday 10 October is World Mental Health Day and this year’s theme is ‘mental health for all’. It has been a difficult time for many of us and has affected different people in different ways. It is a good opportunity to check in with others who may be feeling isolated or lonely.

You may remember some of our students participated in the Martlets You Are Not Alone project during lockdown linking Brighton and Hove Schools with residents and local care homes. The next phase of the project will start after half-term when we will find out which local Care Home we will be linked with. We know that the letters, paintings and recordings has brought joy to the residents across the city. You can see some of the submissions on our [website](#).

How to Support Your Child Through GCSEs

Mrs Cumming and Ms Uren have emailed all Year 10 parents and carers with a link to the recording of their *How to support your child through GCSE* webinar. For those who weren’t able to attend, or would like to watch it, you can find it here: https://youtu.be/7WQzu_ytZaE

Covid-19 Advice and Information

If you child is displaying potential symptoms of COVID, you should keep them at home and book a test for them as soon as possible. The rates are rising in the city and it is

important that students with symptoms have a negative test result before returning to school so that we can keep the community safe.

Please check our website for more information: https://public.dorothy-stringer.co.uk/ds/Pages/covid-19_information.aspx

Word of the week: Superfluous (adj) = more than is needed or wanted

Take care and stay safe.

Matt Hillier
Headteacher