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Guidance on Remote Learning

As you will be aware from our letter to you on Saturday 2nd January, we have begun our remote learning via google classrooms for all year groups from today. All pupils were given access codes to their google classrooms last term but these codes can also be located on the school website:

<https://www.ndhs.org.uk/page/?title=Online+Learning&pid=485>

From Wednesday 6th January our 'blended' approach to remote learning, which sees work set via the google classrooms being complimented by a proportion of live zoom lessons, will commence. Parents and carers can check which lessons have been allocated as live zoom lessons via MCAS and pupils via the pupil portal. Any lessons allocated a 'Z' on the timetable indicate a live zoom. Teachers will provide the zoom password for these lessons on the morning of the allocated session via their google classroom.

In addition to the allocated live zoom lessons, Year 11 and Year 13 students for this week will also have the opportunity to contact their class teacher via zoom during any of their other timetabled lessons, to seek any required guidance or assistance they may need on the work set via the google classroom. Once again, the codes for these 'drop in' sessions will be found on the google classroom on the morning of the lesson.

We issued guidance on the protocols surrounding zoom lessons for both pupils and parents earlier in the term and we would ask that both parents and pupils re-familiarise themselves with it in advance of the zoom lessons commencing:

<https://www.ndhs.org.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=352&type=pdf>

If you are interested, in reading our more detailed plans for remote teaching then you will find them here <https://www.ndhs.org.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=405&type=pdf>. In terms of pupils working remotely, we would recommend that they continue to follow their school timetable, as this will help them structure their day, whilst also being the best way to learn and understand new content and skills. Some advice on how parents can support their children with remote learning can be found here <https://www.ndhs.org.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=415&type=pdf>

Finally, we would like to thank you for your continued support in these challenging times in helping our young people with their education. Our continued strong partnership between home and school has and will continue to hold our young people in good stead throughout their time in education and beyond.