



THE WHITSTABLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you for your continuing support of pupils during this period of remote learning. We are very pleased with the level of engagement which is significantly better than the previous lockdown.

Having looked carefully at national best practice and spoken with a range of colleagues and parents, we think that pre-recorded video sessions supplemented with some opportunities for 'face to face' live learning is the right way forward. With this in mind:

- Live learning seminars are continuing for students in the Sixth Form
- Live 'Big Events' are continuing this week for Year 11 pupils in English and maths
- This week we are launching 'Big Events' for Year 11 pupils in science, history and geography and for Year 10 pupils in English
- Next week we will launch 'Big Events' in maths for Year 10 pupils

We will continue to contact families via a separate email to share specific information about these sessions.

In addition, next week we will begin to trial sessions for pupils in Years 7 to 9 in English. We will also run some workshops for non-core subjects for pupils in Years 7 to 10. If you would like your child to be part of this trial, please sign up by midday on Thursday 21st of January by completing the following short form: <https://forms.gle/oUXPLetUbUTuyNVt9>

We have added a feedback button to our [homepage](#) so you can share feedback or ask for help with a single click. Our support email tw_s_googlehelp@swale.at can also be used for technical queries. Progress Leaders are available to offer support with work and class teachers can be contacted by pupils using the private message function in Google Classroom. Useful contact details including those of Progress Leaders are below.

If you are interested in reading about Ofsted's views on online learning click [here](#).

Best wishes

Mr S Scales
Deputy Headteacher



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Useful Contacts for The Whitstable School

If you would like to discuss teaching or progress of your child please contact their Progress Leader in the first instance. Should the Progress Leader feel the Class Teacher or another member of staff is better placed to reply they will forward this to the appropriate member of staff.

Progress Leader's contact information:

Year 7	Ms K Gee BA (Hons)	kathryn.gee@swale.at
Year 8	Mrs K Higgins BSc (Hons)	katherine.higgins@swale.at
Year 9	Mr A Hampton MA	alan.hampton@swale.at
Year 10	Miss J Connolly BA (Hons)	jasmin.conolly@swale.at
Year 11	Mr R McLeish BSc	russell.mcleish@swale.at
Years 12 & 13	Mrs L Brown BA (Hons)	luci.brown@swale.at

If you have a welfare concern for your child please contact their Pastoral Support Manager.

Pastoral Support Manager's contact details:

Year 7	Mrs E Stephens	emilyjane.stephens@swale.at
Year 8	Mrs A Franklin	alex.franklin@swale.at
Year 9	Miss L Hamnett	laura.hamnett@swale.at
Year 10	Mrs C Crocombe	carol.crocombe@swale.at
Year 11	Miss R Tracy	rachel.tracy@swale.at
Years 12 & 13	Mr L Lane	laurence.lane@swale.at

General Queries

For any general queries please call 01227 931300 between 8:00am and 11:00am after this time please leave a message and we will get back to you.

Receptionist (general enquiries)

Mrs L Williams lesley.williams@swale.at or 01227 931300

Attendance Officer

Mrs N Loxley-Jones nichola.loxleyjones@swale.at or 01227 931345

Enquiries to the Headteacher

All enquiries for the Headteacher should be emailed via:

Office Manager

Ms D Possee debbie.possee@swale.at