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18th April 2020

Dear parent/carer,

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. We are about to start a new term with children still working remotely from home, so I thought it would be a good idea to update you on the current situation and highlight some of the provision available to support you.

School work We appreciate that this can be difficult for parents but you have our full support in ensuring the children keep good routines and stay on top of their school work. What we do know is that Tanfield children are used to working hard and completing a good amount of work every day.

Staff are available every working day, online, to support children with the work they have set. We are using Google Classroom as the central place to access all the resources available to the children. Those who are having problems accessing the work can email the help email at help@tanfieldschool.co.uk.

Years 7 and 8

A whole year group Google classroom was set up where work is set. The google classroom codes are::

Year 7 - **otcdlgm**

Year 8 - **od27nnp**

When students log in to the classroom they need to click on the classwork tab at the top of the page. They will then see this page:

Year 9
School Closure Google Classroom

Stream Classwork People Marks

+ Create

Google Calendar Class Drive folder

All topics

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Knowledge Organisa...

INSTRUCTIONS - PLEASE READ

Posted 12:44

Monday

9am to 10am English

Posted 12:52

10am to 11am Maths

Posted 12:53

11.15am to 12.15pm Science

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1.00pm to 3.00pm Option A: French

Posted 12:59

1.00pm to 3.00pm Option A: Computer Scie...

Posted 13:00

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Based on feedback at the end of last term, staff have been working hard to create a new lesson format for students to follow. The work is set within a google form, that students need to work through. These tasks should take longer. They have been designed in response to some students finding the work too easy and completing it very quickly. If students do complete the work and there is still time within the hour lesson, students should test themselves using their revision guides, containing their knowledge organisers. Students should use the Look, Cover, Write, Check technique that they use in school. There are electronic copies at the bottom of the Google classroom page, if students don't have a paper copy of their knowledge organisers. Finally, students should complete the 'Brain Dump' at the end of the day to recall three things they have learned from each lesson that day.

If your child does not do French, they will be given a paper resource from the Link to complete when French appears on the timetable.

Years 9 and 10

As these two year groups are approaching external exams, we are having a slightly different approach. Students will be required to follow their normal timetable. If, for example, students have English period 1 on a Monday, they will log in to their English teacher's Google classroom (classroom codes are at the end of this letter). There will be an invite to join a Google hangout meet. This is a function on Google that allows our teachers to teach a lesson, as they would in the classroom. Students will then have a series of tasks to complete. Again, staff will be taking a register of which students have logged on. This is a different approach for year 9, compared to before the holiday began. If there are any questions please use the help email.

To support students and parents in operating Google classroom, we have created a step by step video guide which will be accessible on the school website (<https://www.tanfieldschool.co.uk/>). We will also use text messages, emails and the website to keep you fully informed of any changes, for the period of time that the school will be closed.

We would like to thank you all for ensuring your child does the work set, to the best of their ability. This is really important to ensure they don't come back to school behind their peers.

Safeguarding Our normal safeguarding principles are in operation so please report any welfare concerns you have to us. Children working online need to be conscious of their safety and should remember their online safety lessons. Issues can be reported to our Designated Safeguarding Lead Mr.Jones at cjones@tanfieldschool.co.uk. If you, or your child, have any safeguarding concerns about a child, where there is an immediate risk of harm, then you must contact Durham social services on 03000 267979 or the Police on 101.

House competition Over the Easter holidays, it was great to see students and families getting involved in the house competition. We will keep it running until Friday 24th April before declaring which house has won. For those who haven't yet participated, it can be accessed using the google classroom code **ktszilc**.

Free School Meals We were planning to use the government's national scheme from now. However, we are aware of other schools who are having lots of problems with the system, so

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we have decided to stick with the current provider. Please keep us informed of any changes to your address or contact details.

Year 8 Options We are still working on how this will work best and will provide further information as soon as possible.

Finally We would like to thank you for your support, your kind words, and your actions. I am so proud of the way that each and every one of our students, parents, governors and fantastic staff has stepped up to support each other.

On behalf of all the staff and governors of Tanfield School stay safe and well.



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Google classroom codes

	Year 9 code	Year 10 code
Mrs. Ryder	bjma6db	10X1 gspch2a 10Y1 3cihiry
Miss. Brown	hxbkfuw	N/A
Mr. Heffernan	kh3vppf	sgydki
Miss. Woonton	mxnrspi	nok4tkz
Mrs. Bell	46mnlss	lxtofj5
Mrs. Oliver	N/A	N/A
Dr. Walton	mctsoqe	N/A
Mr. Davey	9Y1 - sgx2wpa	10Y2 - ykkogpj
Mr. Creegan	3tpy62q	N/A
Mr. Allan	N/A	wtsgo63
Mr. Baker	N/A	24K2A3M
Mrs. Gibson	9X3 - o7oaduy	10X3 - 6b7gnhl
Miss. Bateman	qrzxudo	5fmfogv
Mrs. Keen	9D/Fd1 = pqqokfz 9C/Tx1 = gtc363	10D/Fd1 = inhv72 10C/Fd1 = 3fs6epp
Mrs. Edge	fepciq6	N/A
Mr. Carr	9B - ylnfxu5 9C - 6dcrzyb 9D - xpa7bhe	10B - 26klo7h 10C - 5ykmdm5
Mr. Seaton	9x/Sc1 - aeewe55	Chemistry - 10x/Sc1 - nnvjvcf Chemistry - 10x/Sc2 - 3jrd7c3 Chemistry - 10x/Sc3 - 7dakldv
Mrs. Gainey	9y/Sc2 - mgwz4qy	Biology - 10x/Sc1 - eolafap Biology - 10x/Sc2 - ot72xcj Biology - 10x/Sc3 - utlfrig
Miss. Doherty	9y/Sc1 - z6t3gtu 9x/Sc2 - 6kmf6ju 9x/sc3 - pr2zhyu	10Y/SC2 - zexieio 10 y/Sc1- vaufcwg

Mr. Kelly	9x/Sc3 - pr2zhyu 9y/Sc3- c4jpvfh	Physics- 10x/Sc1- eumulpc Physics- 10x/Sc2- wrfdqyc Physics- 10x/Sc3- lvnnfru Physics and Biology- 10y/Sc1- 7tx5qgs Biology- 10y/Sc2- 3ghn6xg
Mrs. Tones	9C - rwnanj5 9B - vwast5l 9D/Enterprise - tyhqjyb	10B - iimp65b 10D/Enterprise - ydd6nvw
Miss. Kent	N/A	10B - n6y4xny
Mr. Hume	9A - jqmhi37	10a2 geog- lyplrdw
Miss. Coppillie	9A- kpohnw7	10A - rgcj63g 10B - e5qflat
Mrs. Stephenson	9C- gzxf74l	10C- m5oe4ue
Mr. Hildreth	9A-6i6kmw7	10A-gi7kk3b
Mr. Fitzpatrick		
Miss. Riding	9a2- k5v4en2 9b1- ib7z4g7	10a3- kcpvmao
Mrs. Marlier	glfmhl5	oonngic
Mrs. Seccombe	ueuttrd	
Mrs. Johnson	6qhx4sv 9C BTEC sport Fwrv4oh 9B BTEC sport	ofs3wjk
Mrs. Liddell	9B - 15svq53 9D - djsva6i	10A - ysuyyoq 10B - xbf6w4 10C - a2buquu 10D - m qarqbp
Mr. Hudson	9B - 15svq53 9D - djsva6i	10A - ysuyyoq 10B - xbf6w4 10C - a2buquu 10D - m qarqbp
Mrs Steven	Travel &Tourism gnj36yq	Health&Social Care vd6fxdc