

On Track Education, Barnstaple - May Update

COVID-19 has changed almost everything about how we work but the one thing it hasn't changed is how much our students and their families are at the centre of what we do. This is a really difficult and anxious situation for everybody in the country and we are here to help you through as much as we can.

We want to keep our students and their families safe. We want to keep our staff team and their families safe.

I just wanted you all to know what we are still able to offer and what the government guidelines mean for our usual ways of working.

Students can all use Google Classroom to access work and to talk with their timetabled staff

We are happy to provide work on paper instead if that works best for you – just let your child's key worker know

Key workers will still be trying to make contact every day with your child to see how they are going

Members of the safeguarding team will be contacting you at least once each week to see if we can help in any way to keep everybody safe

If things are not going well at home and you don't feel you can talk to the safeguarding team, please do feel free to let the key worker know, who can then pass your concerns to the safeguarding team

For those students who receive Free School Meals, you should have received a supermarket pre-paid card with the equivalent of £3 a day on it. These are topped up remotely for you with £30 every two weeks so please keep the card safe. If you have any difficulties with it, please let your child's key worker know

If your child is attending on site, or if a member of staff is visiting you and your child, there are some things that are important to know; you will have been told them already but it is always good to have a reminder! We are not asking these things to be difficult; we are asking them because that is what the government advises to help us keep everybody and their families safe:

The whole household must be following government social distancing guidance in life outside school

Whilst on site, your child must stay 2 metres away from others, and wash their hands regularly

If your child or anybody else in the household develops a new, persistent cough or a temperature you must let the school know immediately

Staff are not able to transport students in vehicles

Staff are not allowed to come into your home as they may have done before March. They also have to stay 2 metres apart from all other people

We are still here for you and your child as much as we ever were, even though the world feels a bit different right now! Once we know what the government plan is for schools over the next few weeks we will let you know.

Stay safe and be kind,

Jon

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