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Dear Parent or Carer

The information outlined in this letter is intended to provide clarity and transparency to both students and their families about what to expect from remote education, where a period of self isolation is necessary.

We have adopted this advice and developed a comprehensive strategy to our approach to remote learning across a range of scenarios. This includes the support of individual and small groups of students, who may be self-isolating, to ensure they can access high quality resources during their period of absence.

Where some classes or groups of students have been required to self-isolate, we will be using the following remote learning practices.

- Teachers of whole groups will be providing 'live streamed' / real-time remote learning using google meet and google classroom. With this content starting 10 minutes after the lesson starts and finishing 10 minutes before the end of the lesson. This will give students and staff time to prepare and time to get ready for their next lesson.
- Where there are individual students within groups absent from college, remote learning resources will be uploaded to the relevant Google classroom. Work will follow the curriculum for the classes and subjects that the individual student is absent from.

Live classrooms enable us to maintain important interaction between teachers and students through, for example, questioning, checking for understanding, and reflective discussion. This allows teaching to be more effective, support pupil motivation, and lead to better progress. Feedback can take place in 'live streamed' lessons, using Google meet; via google classroom; and shared google docs, as well as through formally assessed work.

We teach the same curriculum remotely as we do in school wherever possible and appropriate. However, we have needed to make some adaptations in some subjects. As an example, practical subjects in the creative arts, physical education and some of the technology subjects have had to be adapted to accommodate remote education. Faculty areas will advise students of revised curriculum.

If you have any questions or need to borrow a chrome book, please contact l.roper@tavistockcollege.org.

Yours sincerely

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