

## PARENT/CARER FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS - HOME LEARNING

Thank you for completing the recent parental survey on home learning. We have worked through the feedback received and shared this with our teaching staff. Based on the information provided, we have compiled this FAQ document. We hope you find this useful.

<b>1</b>	<b>How do I help my child structure their day and plan their learning?</b>
	<p>Pupils should try to follow their timetable as much as possible. Class teachers will inform pupils of the times of their subject classes.</p> <p>You can help your child to complete a timetable for their week. A Timetable Planning Sheet can be downloaded from the year group classroom to allow pupils to structure their day/week.</p> <p>If you join your child's google classroom for each subject, you will be able to see the work assigned and the deadlines.</p> <p>If your child is struggling to join a classroom or establish a routine, they should contact their class teacher or PTPS.</p>
<b>2</b>	<b>What do I do if my child is ill and cannot complete the work set?</b>
	<p>If your child is unwell, please email <a href="mailto:AGSPupilAbsence@aberdeencity.gov.uk">AGSPupilAbsence@aberdeencity.gov.uk</a> to report their absence.</p> <p>Pupils should contact their class teacher if they are struggling to meet a deadline.</p> <p>Please contact your child's PTPS if you have any concerns about your child's workload.</p>
<b>3</b>	<b>When do teachers post work on google classrooms?</b>
	<p>Class teachers will inform pupils of the routine being set for the posting of work.</p> <p>Pupils are advised to switch off devices at the end of their school day or log out of the classroom. No pupil is expected to be working throughout the day and evening. Teachers do not expect pupils to check late posts.</p>
<b>4</b>	<b>Is it possible for teachers to give a timeframe as to how long a task should take? What do I do if my child needs extra time to complete work?</b>
	<p>Class teachers will advise pupils of the approximate time a task may take.</p> <p>Pupils should contact their teacher via their google classroom if they have any concerns about the work being set and/or deadlines.</p>
<b>5</b>	<b>Will there be more interactive lessons with teacher explanations and instructions?</b>
	<p>Our teachers are currently undertaking training in the use of software to allow more interactive lessons eg google meetings, voice overs, pre-recorded lessons, google worksheets.</p> <p>The aim is that pupils will have at least one direct contact point with their teachers each week at</p>

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	<p>change of timetable. This may be a google meeting or a pre-recorded lesson. Timetables will change 11 May for Senior Phase and 25 May for BGE.</p> <p>Any live google meet will coincide with the teacher timetable. Teachers will let pupils know the times of their classes through the subject google classroom.</p> <p>Teachers may opt to pre-record lessons and these can be viewed by pupils at any time prior to the completion of assigned work.</p> <p>Our teachers are also adapting their course materials to accommodate digital learning.</p>
<b>6</b>	<b>Is it possible to have a help guide on how to use google classroom?</b>
	A User Guide for Parents and Pupils is currently being developed and will be shared with you as soon as possible.
<b>7</b>	<b>Is there any other advice available on how, as a parent, I can support my child's learning?</b>
	<p>All parents can join their child's google classroom.</p> <p>Planning for Success Guides for each year group are posted on the school website and in PSE classes. These give details of websites to support learning in each subject. Teachers will also recommend websites through subject classrooms.</p> <p>You can access sources of support, eg Parentzone, through the Learning and Teaching tab on our website.</p>
<b>8</b>	<b>Is it possible to get a notification if my child is not completing work?</b>
	<p>We are monitoring pupil engagement across subjects.</p> <p>Your child's PTPS will contact you if your child is not completing work.</p>
<b>9</b>	<b>How can I check my child's progress and receive feedback on their learning?</b>
	<p>Class teachers will provide feedback to pupils through class assignments on google classrooms.</p> <p>If you sign up to your child's google classrooms, you will be in receipt of a weekly activity report on your child's engagement in their subjects.</p> <p>If you would like to see the work your child is doing on google classroom in more detail, you can access their assignment 'To Do' list. Instructions on how to do this can be found in the Learning and Teaching tab on the school website.</p>
<b>10</b>	<b>My child wants to extend their learning over and above work set through their class teachers. Any advice on how they can do this?</b>
	Class teachers are leading the learning for their subject and will be providing extension materials. If your child wants additional resources, they should contact their class teacher.