

# THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

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# Dear Parents/Carers,

Three important messages for you at the end of another busy week at The John Fisher School.

# **Remote Education**

To support your son with his daily learning plan, all work will be set via Show My Homework, and appear on your son's dashboard in the following way:

# Red 'Classwork' feature

This indicates that a 'Real-Time' Zoom/Google Meet lesson will take place.

# Green 'Assignment' feature

This indicates that submission of student work is required at the end of the relevant lesson.

# Pink 'Flexible' feature

This indicates that independent and guided learning will take place, but submission of student work is not required in this instance.

Your son will experience a blend of all of the above during his timetabled lessons over a two-week period and is expected to attend all 'real-time' lessons and complete all set work to the best of his ability. Please ensure you support your son with his daily planning and ensure that any work required for submission, is uploaded at the end of the relevant lesson in order for teaching staff to assess/mark/provide feedback/plan responsive teaching to support student engagement and progress.

# Places for students in school – vulnerable students and children of critical workers

We are continuing to have provision in school for students considered 'vulnerable' or students who are children of critical workers. To avoid any disappointment in making an application, I thought it would be helpful to provide the following:

# '<u>Vulnerable'</u>

The definition of vulnerable children and young people includes children who have a social worker, an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) or who may be vulnerable for another reason at local discretion ("otherwise vulnerable").

### 'Critical workers'

Parents whose work is critical to the coronavirus (COVID-19) and EU transition response, including those who work in health and social care and in other key sectors. Children with at least one parent or carer who is a critical worker can go to school if required. This includes parents who may be working from home.

### Educational Psychology Service

The Educational Psychology Service are available to support families with issues that may arise during lockdown such as organising remote learning, anxiety and difficulties motivating your child to learn. If you would like a telephone consultation with one of our attached psychologists please contact <u>e.kenny@johnfisherschool.org</u>.

I hope that you and your family remain safe and well.

Yours sincerely,

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