



Rossett School

Success for everyone

24 April 2020

Dear Students

Welcome back to the start of the summer term at Rossett School.

We hope that you and your families have had a peaceful and restorative Easter break.

As we told your parents/carers last term, we have started the remote learning for your lessons this week, and we have given you a couple of days to get started with your lessons on Teams.

There are specific letters going out to all of you in Years 10, 11, 12 and 13 (and your parents/carers) about the examinations this year at the end of this week. These letters will come from Mr Stone (Deputy Headteacher: Teaching & Learning) and will tell you more about:

- Your work or 'next steps' preparation this term
- How your work will be graded for your final examinations in summer 2020
- How to contact the school – and who to contact – if you have any queries.

For everyone else in Years 7-10 and also for Year 12, this week sees a return to **work as 'normal'** through your subject teachers' contact and the assignments posted to your account on Teams.

Your teachers have been asked to monitor when you log on; how much time you are spending on your work; and they are logging any incomplete work. If we think you are having trouble with your account or with the work, we may contact you or your parents to see if there are any particular difficulties that we can help you with or you can contact your SSO or DOL directly.

It is **really important** that you do keep on completing the work set for you.

Whenever our school is cleared to re-open, the teachers will be there to help you further with any work that you have struggled with, but there will not be much time to 're-teach' every subject to everyone. We are counting on you to **work independently**; be resilient in these difficult times; and to complete as many of the tasks set, to the best of your ability.

Well done to everyone who has managed to do this so well, before Easter. Let's keep the effort going this term as we tackle new topics and ways of working to make sure we are all ready to pick up where we left off, when we come back.

Those of you in Years 11 and 13 will no doubt be thinking about the progression choices you made for this coming September. Year 11 students will be receiving a letter from Mr Foley (Director of Sixth Form) that will give more details about your applications to Rossett School Sixth Form, but also advice and guidance for those of you who have indicated that you are choosing a different pathway. Any Year 13 students who are still unsure about your future destination, can access careers advice and information via [unifrog](https://unifrog.com). (Your username is your email address and you can select forgotten password if you can't remember the password). If you would like to put in a late university application or require further careers advice, you can contact Mr. Foley bfoley@rossettschool.co.uk who can offer advice or put you in touch with our independent careers advisor.

In such challenging times your Physical and Mental Health and Wellbeing are of even greater importance. We hope that you have managed to get in to a routine that includes time to exercise, time to complete Remote Learning, and time to communicate with your family and friends (online). Following a routine helps to keep your mind stimulated and create structure for what can be very long days.

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As we mentioned in the assemblies before school closed, you may be spending more time online at the moment and that is totally understandable. Please remember those key messages that we reminded you of when it comes to staying safe:

- Use social media responsibly and report any concerns such as cyber bullying to your parents, carers, school or CEOPS.
- Be careful what you post online – comments, images, videos etc.
- Set your privacy settings high to protect yourself and don't post any personal information online.
- Don't befriend people you don't know online.
- Don't meet up with people you've met online. Speak to your parent or carer about people suggesting you do.

If you feel that you are finding that the challenges you are facing are putting a strain on your Mental Health, don't worry, you are not alone. Don't forget about the online and text-based support that you can get, or if you feel you need to, please contact your DOL or SSO.

- Kooth – a free, online counselling service available at www.kooth.com
- Buzz Us – run by Compass Buzz and specific to young people from North Yorkshire; this is a text messaging service that connects students to a 'well-being' advisor on 07520631168
<https://www.compass-uk.org/buzz-us/>
- Young Minds - <https://youngminds.org.uk/>
- NHS Every Mind Matters - <https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/>
- Give us a Shout - <https://www.giveusashout.org/>
- The Mix - <https://www.themix.org.uk/>
- Nightline - <https://www.nightline.ac.uk/>

Finally, please remember that we are still here to provide support for you. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns or worries and we will provide the help and guidance that you require.

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Kind regards

Ms Woodcock Headteacher	Mr Stone Deputy Head	Mr Saunders Associate Deputy	Mr Royles Associate Deputy	Mr Foley Director of Sixth Form
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