



THE DEAN TRUST
Ashton on Mersey School

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Dear Parent / Carer,

In light of the announcement from the Prime Minister last night, I should provide you with an update on our plans for this half term. I appreciate that this is a very challenging time for this school community but you should rest assured that the school remains committed to ensuring that the young people of Ashton on Mersey receive every avenue of support available to them.

The recent direction to move to a national lockdown requires the school to remain closed except for the onsite provision for the children of critical workers and pupils identified as vulnerable. Should your child be eligible and if you would like to reserve a place please contact the school at office@aom.trafford.sch.uk. Alternatively, call the attendance officer on 0161 973 1179. Pupils should attend school via the appropriate year group entrance for 08:40 in full school uniform. Pupils may bring a packed lunch from home or may order a packed lunch on site. Pupils eligible for a free school meal will be provided with a lunch.

All other pupils will commence remote learning using Satchel One (Show my Homework) or Google Classroom with Years 11 and 13 starting from Tuesday 5th January. Pupils from other year groups will be set work via Satchel One (Show my Homework) from Wednesday 6th January. Live lessons will commence from Monday 11th January. A comprehensive timetable will be sent to pupils as soon as it is available.

If any pupil requires access to a digital device please contact school and we will arrange for the loan of a device. We have a number of digital devices available this week to those pupils eligible for Free School Meals. Should your child require access to a digital device we will be extending our loan scheme to non-FSM pupils as of Monday 11th January. A school comms message will be sent out towards the end of the week explaining how to collect.

Vocational examinations planned for next week will go ahead as planned and more details of arrangements including revision sessions will follow in due course.

From next week, regular safeguarding checks will commence to ensure that all pupils are safe and well, whilst making good progress with home learning provision. It remains essential that young people have good routines and a consistent approach to home learning. Please encourage your child to respond to staff including Form Tutors via Satchel One (Show my Homework). Should you have any safeguarding concerns please contact the school through the appropriate channels.

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I will write to you again with further information and updates as they become available with the newsletter remaining a key source of information each Friday.

Please take care and thank you for your support,

Mr L McConaghie
Headteacher

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