



St Margaret's Academy

HOME LEARNING 2021

Home Learning
Information Pack

**Support and guidance for pupils,
parents and carers**

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This booklet is designed to help you to support your child in accessing and engaging with home learning. Given that in St Margaret's Academy pupils are confident in the use of online platforms such as Teams we would like this to be as seamless a transition as possible.

From our experience of the previous lockdown we have implemented a number of strategies to support your child moving forward in this period.

- All pupils have access to a digital device and support from school staff
- All pupils have regular contact with teachers and Heads of House to ensure any barriers to learning are dealt with swiftly
- Weekly learning SWAY on school website containing curriculum information and daily/weekly tasks
- All pupils actively engaged on Teams

We fully appreciate how challenging home learning is for both young people and parents/carers. We aim to provide your child with a positive and supportive learning experience during this lockdown period and we would encourage you to get in touch with us if you have any concerns, queries or are just looking for some support. Please contact your child's Head of House in the first instance or the school office.



THE SCHOOL DAY

All pupils will follow their existing timetable if they are in school or at home and lessons will be delivered through a blend of teaching and learning which will include the following methods:

Teacher online: This is where the teacher is online delivering the lesson

Tutorial: Teacher online supporting young people as they work through an activity

Recorded: Some lessons will be pre-recorded for pupils to access

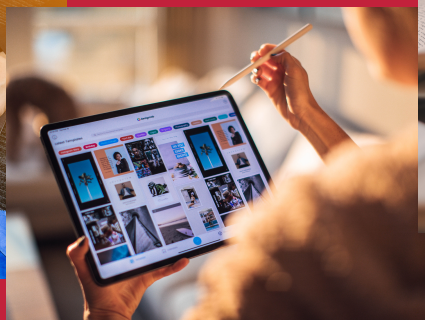
Flexi-learn: Pupils will work through material and post questions for the teacher to respond to on Teams.

Self-study: Pupils will work through activities provided by the class teacher.

Full information regarding the delivery of each subject will be provided via Teams. For an overview of work to be completed in each subject area please see the school website page as follows.

<http://www.stmargaretsacademy.westlothian.org.uk/article/56334/Remote-learning>

This SWAY will be live from Monday 11th January.



GETTING ONLINE

In order to make sure all of our learners are able to engage fully with online learning we would like all of our pupils to log on to Teams on or before **Monday 11th January** to post either a comment or like a post on their class Teams groups or class notebook.

Pupils could wish each other a Happy New Year, pose a question or simply like the most recent post from their class teacher. This will allow class teachers to identify any pupils who cannot engage for any reason in order to make contact with the pupil to rectify any issues.

Class teachers will be monitoring engagement of learners in order to ensure progression in subject areas.

Should any pupils have issues with IT or logging into Teams please get in touch with Heads of House or via the school office. .

FAQS

Full arrangements regarding the return to school from West Lothian Council can be found at the link below

<https://www.westlothian.gov.uk/back-to-school>

