

# School Closures: What should you do?



The following is advice for parents and students should Friesland need to close for a prolonged period of time. Should you have any additional queries please contact Mr Patterson on [cpatterson@friesland.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:cpatterson@friesland.derbyshire.sch.uk) who will then either reply or pass your issue onto the most relevant member of staff.

## General advice:

- Google classroom is where the vast majority of work will be set, please use this as your starting point for the working day:
  - Follow your timetable
  - If, for example, you have Science P1 on a Monday go to that Google classroom and do the lesson that has been set.
  - Your teachers will provide work for each lesson you would have had in School, so do them as you would in a normal day. Making 5 'lessons' a day.
  - If your teacher has asked for work to be submitted, make sure you do so. This is work that will be assessed and you will receive feedback on how you have done.
- If you DO NOT have access to the internet at home, or are not able to access Google Classroom for whatever reason, please let us know and we will provide hard copies of work.
- If you require extra paper or exercise books to work in, please let us know and we will do our best to provide you with materials.
- Several departments will use other internet based resources (mymaths, kerboodle, Seneca etc), please make sure you know your log in details to these. If you do not know them, ask us and we will help you.
- The school website will be a valuable source of information, please have a look regularly for updates or news.

## What if you are having problems with your work?

- E-mail your teachers direct, via Google classroom, and they will get back to you when they can with support. You are more likely to get a quick response if you e-mail during normal school hours.

## What will happen if I don't do any work?

- Teachers will monitor the work that is coming in, which we will then collate centrally. School leaders will contact the parents of students who, it appears, are not completing any work. Ultimately, if any student decides to complete little work, then they will fall behind in their studies and run the risk of making poor academic progress. It is vital, that in these incredibly difficult times, we do not allow that to happen.

## What should I do if I am worried or concerned about the virus or missing school?

- Get in touch with us and we will help you. We remain your teachers, and we remain part of our wonderful Friesland Community. If you are worried at all, let us know and we will do what we can to help.
- If you feel you don't have enough work, or are missing work for any of your subjects, please let us know and we will sort it out for you.

**These are unprecedented times, and we are all trying to make the best of a very difficult situation. The key thing in terms of the education of our young people is that, whilst Friesland is physically closed, the education we provide is very much still on. It has just changed. By working together we can ensure that everyone continues to learn, make progress and be ready for life to go back to normal once the virus has been controlled.**