



# Painsley Catholic College

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Dear Parent/Carer

It has been another challenging week in school given the number of students and staff who are self-isolating at the current time. I have to thank the students who have engaged with live learning in a dedicated and committed way and to the staff who have professionally adapted to the hybrid of teaching a physical class and students learning remotely. I am sure you can appreciate that this is not easy and I would like to praise the staff for their dedication and commitment to maintaining the students' learning.

As part of our new way of working, if a student is required to self-isolate the following protocol will be followed:

- If we have informed your child to self-isolate, the child will be coded 'X' on the register.
- If your child is required to self-isolate for reasons outside of school please let us know so we can consider the appropriate register code.
- If your child is unwell, please let us know as your child will be marked 'I' and not expected to participate until they are well enough to do so.
- Live streaming will take place for all lessons where the teacher is well enough to do so. If the teacher is unwell or unavailable, your child will be notified of their work through Show My Homework.
- Pupils must log onto all lessons at the appropriate lessons time. Your child will be asked to answer their name in the register by turning their microphone on and responding verbally to the teacher.
- Pupils should engage with the lessons as if they were present in the classroom by answering questions and participating in all activities.
- Your child must be present for all of the lesson and submit work/homework as required.
- If your child is not in a live lesson, you will receive a notification through school comms and we will be contacting you by text/phone call.
- Please note we have a moral and legal duty to provide remote learning throughout the day. Should your child have an access issue, please contact their pastoral lead and we will work with them to resolve any issues.

There is no doubt that we will face disruption over the coming weeks. However, I can assure you that our risk assessment is in place to protect all in our community.

As a reminder, the risk assessment can be found on the school website: <https://www.painsley.co.uk/parents-students/communications/> along with all our weekly letters and communications to you.

On Thursday evening we held our virtual Year 7 parents' evening. This is the first time we have operated the evening in this way and would welcome any feedback as there is no doubt this is how we are going to have to host parents' evenings for some time.



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Year 11 will receive their full written reports next week. These will be emailed to you over several days so please be patient as we get them to you.

In the Gospel on Sunday we hear of the Parable of The Last Judgement (Matthew 25: 31-46). It is a reminder to us that when we feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, clothe the naked or visit the sick, we are not only doing this to others but to God also. We pray in these challenging times that we can support and care for each other and in doing so show our love to God.

God bless

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