

COMPLETING WORK AT HOME DURING THE CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

At Stuart Bathurst Catholic High School we want to do all that we can to ensure that your child receives quality first resources to support with home learning in the event of self-isolation or school closure due to the coronavirus.

Staff have therefore been working hard to prepare work for students in every year group in the event of self-isolation or school closure. If your child is self-isolating, this work can be found on the overview on the school website and also has been set for every year group on our online platform, ClassCharts. In addition, any work for the school closure on 17th and 18th March has been set directly on to ClassCharts.

The work can be completed in your child's self-quizzing book which is where they can also use their knowledge organisers to practice self-quizzing or making flash cards. Students have had guidance on both these learning strategies in assemblies and can use the time to practice applying them on top of the work that has been set. Some work may also be completed online using the relevant links that subjects have uploaded. Please ensure that your child follows the instructions of their subject teacher.

We expect students to complete work in accordance with their school timetable. For example, if they have 2 hours of History per week then they should complete 2 hours worth of work in that subject each week. We will ask teachers to review and update this work in coming weeks to ensure that there is ample material for your child to learn and continue to make progress should they self-isolate.

As parents and carers, you can support your child with their home learning by ensuring that they follow their school timetable and that they have a quiet well-lit space in which they can complete their work. Please encourage your child to contact their class teacher using the school email addresses provided should they require any further support with the work. If you are self-isolated as a family, why not try quizzing your child on what they have learnt and testing them on the facts from their various subject knowledge organisers.

It is important that time is built in for regular breaks, to include breaks from computer screens and mobile technology. The fabulous resource below offers some suggestions on 25 non-screen activities that you could also try in the event of self-isolation.

Non-screen activities you can do at home

Pobble

25 ideas!

What can you do when there's no school and you're stuck at home? Here are 25 fun ideas to choose from.

1 How many different words can you make from the letters in this sentence, below? Grab a pencil and paper and write a list!

'Learning from home is fun'

2 Thank a community hero. Think of someone that helps you in some way and write a short letter to thank them.

Thanks!

3 Get building! You could build a Lego model, a tower of playing cards or something else!



4 Can you create your own secret code? You could use letters, numbers, pictures or something else! Can you get someone else to try and crack it?

5 Start a nature diary. Look out of the window each day and keep note of what you see. Birds, flowers, changes in the weather, what else?

6 Hold a photo session. Use a camera or a mobile phone to take some snaps. What will you photograph? Your pets or toys perhaps?

7 Build a reading den. Find somewhere cosy, snuggle up and read your favourite book!



8 Use an old sock to create a puppet. Can you put on a puppet show for someone?



9 Make a list of all the electrical items in each room of your home. Can you come up with any ideas to use less electricity?

10 Design and make a homemade board game and play it with your family.



11 Do something kind for someone. Can you pay them a compliment, make them something or help them with a task?



12 Can you create a story bag? Find a bag and collect items to go in it that relate to a well known story. If you can't find an item, you could draw a picture to include.

13 List making! Write a list of things that make you happy, things you're grateful for or things you are good at.



14 Design and make an obstacle course at home or in the garden. How fast can you complete it?



15 Can you invent something new? Perhaps a gadget or something to help people? Draw a picture or write a description.



16 Keep moving! Make up a dance routine to your favourite song.



17 Write a play script. Can you act it out to other people?



18 Read out loud to someone. Remember to read with expression.



19 Write a song or rap about your favourite subject.



20 Get sketching! Find a photograph or picture of a person, place or object and sketch it.



21 Junk modelling! Collect and recycle materials such as yoghurt pots, toilet rolls and boxes and see what you can create with them.

22 Draw a map of your local area and highlight interesting landmarks.



23 Write a postcard to your teacher. Can you tell them what you like most about their class?

24 Draw a view. Look out of your window and draw what you see.



25 Get reading! What would you most like to learn about? Can you find out more about it in books? Can you find a new hobby?

On behalf of all staff at Stuart Bathurst Catholic High School, I would like to thank you in advance for your support in ensuring your child completes all work directed by their subject teachers.

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