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Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Coronavirus update

As we continue into this unprecedented time, we would like to update you with further details of how we are providing support for students so they can continue learning while the Academy remains closed.

In order to ensure that work is easily accessible for students and parents/carers, we are using our **FROG online learning portal** as the platform for all online work. This can be accessed via the academy website and is being used by all subject teachers to set work for students.

<https://cockburnjohncharles.org/home-learning/>

Learning support for your child:

- **Parental Guidance on structuring and supporting your child's home learning** is now available on the FROG online portal. As a reminder *Option 1 Students should follow their timetable, Option 2 Students should complete English, Maths plus one other subject daily.* There will be additional guidance to support students and structure their learning for April/ May on the website.



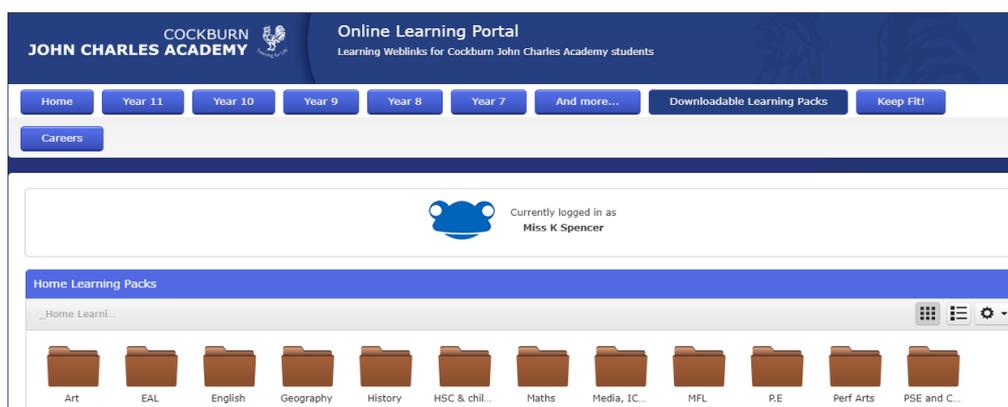
- **English and Maths work** has been set for all classes by subject teachers. This is personalised work for your child which can be accessed using the FROG online learning portal sites and students will be familiar with these sites as they use them as part of the curriculum.

For English, all students should be logging on to SENECA every day, KS3 students logging onto SENECA, Accelerated Reader/Reading Plus every school day.

For Maths, students should be logging on to MyMaths and Times Tables Rock Stars every school day.

- **Subject Work has been set for each subject and year group** by teachers which can be accessed using the FROG online learning portal **Downloadable Learning Packs Tab** – Each subject has a folder 2 – with all the work for April and May.

Work has been set in an order and should be followed chronologically, for example Task 1, Task 2 or Project 1, Project 2. We believe that the volume of work provided should be sufficient to cover at least six weeks' worth of work for April and May and, in some cases, substantially more. We are currently developing the Home Learning Folder June and July should this situation continue.



In addition, we have provided the following:

- **High quality learning websites have been selected for all subjects** by teachers and can be accessed in one place using the FROG online learning portal to support additional learning.
- **A Performing Arts Hub** has been created specifically for Drama, Dance and Music enrichment. Students can watch performances by Northern Ballet, Royal Opera, The National Theatre and Royal Shakespeare Company as well as learning about professionals in the industry.
- **All students will receive a weekly email** to their school email accounts advising them on how to structure their learning, reminding them to complete work and providing the opportunity ask any questions about their learning; student emails will be answered by a team of staff and responses provided. Any specific subject questions will be forwarded to subject teachers.

If you do not have internet access for your child, please contact the main academy reception. We will be able to arrange a Home Learning Work pack for your child to complete. This can take a few days to arrange to get to you, we ask for your patience.

We would like to thank you for your continued support and patience while we have set up this new way of working to support your child's learning. If you have any further questions regarding your child's learning, please email info@cockburnjohncharles.org marking the email *Learning Question*.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs. S Roberts
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