



# HOLY TRINITY

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Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> May

Dear Parents/Carers of Y8 pupils,

Your child is invited to take part in an online catch up programme.

This is because, since returning in September, their lessons have been interrupted due to the Covid-19 pandemic. We are aware of the negative impact that time out of school can have on a pupil's education. Their future success is incredibly important to us.

It is our priority now to help them catch-up so that they are able to get back on track. The focus will be to fill the specific gaps in learning identified by each subject. Our first block of lessons are for the following subjects:

Maths	Yes
English	Yes
Science	Yes

Your child's teachers have and continue to create catch-up courses in these subjects. The catch-up courses for these subjects will be delivered **remotely using Microsoft Teams** (unless we phone you to inform you that your child will need to attend after-school sessions). Your child will be expected to complete these catch-up courses at home.

Your child may be expected to complete more than these initial subject catch-up courses. If this is the case, we will contact you again in due course. The lessons will all be live from May 10<sup>th</sup>. Pupils should plan to complete these lessons over the course of the next few weeks. They might choose to complete one lesson per subject per week or they might decide to complete them in chunks. These courses will continue to run until the end of the school year. **We would like students to complete the three initial courses before w/c June 28<sup>th</sup>. There will be achievements points for students who complete the units and their effort and attainment will be reflected in their reports.**

Each catch-up course will have up to 6 lessons for your child to complete and at the end of each course, a test will be set (except for maths as there will be a test to do at the end of each planned lesson). This will measure their progress. Teachers at school will monitor their progress through the work. We appreciate your support in ensuring that they complete these courses. We will expect to see submitted work for each assignment to show it has all been completed to a good standard. If your child gets stuck, they can send a question to the teacher on Teams.

Please support your child (and us) by ensuring that they are able to log-on to Microsoft Teams to access the catch-up courses. They can do this via the school website. All pupils at Holy Trinity have been provided with a username and password already so they can log-in to access and complete this work.

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They can log-in on a mobile phone, tablet or laptop and they can complete the 6 lessons and test and submit their work electronically via Microsoft Teams, or on paper. If they need to submit work on paper, we will supply this from the Head of Standards office and there will be a designated drop off area in the Head of Standards' office.

If you would like to discuss this catch-up intervention in more detail, please don't hesitate to get in touch via [info@holytrinitybarnsley.org](mailto:info@holytrinitybarnsley.org) or by telephone. Please direct your communication to Miss Walker.

If you have any issues getting onto Teams, please email our IT Helpdesk:  
[codegreen@holytrinitybarnsley.org](mailto:codegreen@holytrinitybarnsley.org)

Yours sincerely,

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