



13<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

## Show my Homework

As a college we set all our home learning via this platform which enables all stakeholders, parents, students and staff to see the work being set, the deadlines and expectations. It is a fabulous online resource where work can be set, learning communicated and then work uploaded to be assessed, all in one place.

It provides complete transparency and enables parents to work with students to support the work being done outside of the classroom.

Research tells us that ***“Parents play a crucial role in supporting their children’s learning, and levels of parental engagement are consistently associated with better academic outcomes. Evidence suggests that effective parental engagement can lead to learning gains of +3 months over the course of a year***

There is a Parent Guidance sheet on using Show My Homework on the college website under the Online services which can be found under the Parent tab. It can be reached [here](#), there is also a video showing the process on the page. To register or login to SMHW please use the Quicklinks at the top of the website or this [link](#).

We have been ensuring that all students can log in and use SMHW over this week. Can you please make sure that you can log in, if you do not have an account yet please register using the link above and you will find your parent code on the attached sheet.

Furthermore, in the event that there is a Public Health England directive advising that the school is to be closed to pupils and staff, we will seek to limit the impact on the learning and progress of our pupils. To achieve this, we will use SMHW as the platform to set and assess work during a period of closure.

The college’s approach to support ongoing learning in the event of a Public health England directive to close the school will follow in due course.

Should you have any queries regarding logging in to SHMW please contact [rmunro@southdartmoor.devon.sch.uk](mailto:rmunro@southdartmoor.devon.sch.uk) or call the main school reception.

Kind regards

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