





# South Dartmoor Community College

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- All tasks will be signposted via SMHW and there will be a link to the Teams assignment where the content of the task will be clearly laid out. It is here that the work needs to be completed. It will automatically be saved in the class team and then teachers are able to assess what has been completed and mark the work as complete in SMHW.
- Teachers remain available to students throughout the normal school day to answer questions via the class chat function on Teams; they will of course continue to answer emails as well.
- Each task will follow a similar format with an instructional piece at the start outlining the task as well as any resources eg ppt, video to watch or website to visit. The next section will be the main task and finally it will be concluded with a low stakes quiz/activity to ensure student understanding.
- There will continue to be some live lessons where possible and tutors will be making regular contact with their tutees, either live or via Teams, to ensure they are ok and answer any questions that they may have. Assemblies will continue being shared and posted in tutor areas as well as on the website
- There will be no work set over half term.
- Any outstanding tasks from this half term can be cleared so that each student effectively starts from scratch on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June. (Old tasks are still there if students wish to refer to them but there is no expectation that they be "caught up.") A student can clear their to do list by simply clicking 'done' on any outstanding tasks.

Currently we know that we will not be returning to school on June 1<sup>st</sup> after half term and any opening to Y10 and Y12 will only commence as soon as it is safe to do so. We will communicate with you as soon as we can about what that will look like and how it will work. We are continually assessing the directives from the government and looking at how these can be applied and maintained safely at SDCC. At all times the safety of the staff and students is paramount in our decision making.

I would like to thank you all for your continued determination to ensure that the disruption to our young people's education is minimised. Whatever you are managing to do and however you are achieving it is helping to instill greater independence and resilience with regards to learning.

Please keep feeding back to us about how it is going; we continue to listen, evaluate and make changes where necessary so your comments are invaluable.

Best wishes and stay safe,

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