



## St. Thomas More High School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

### Re: Self-Isolation

We currently have a rapidly increasing number of students being kept at home as a precautionary measure and work has been requested by parents and carers.

We are unable to provide work for individuals in this way, as it causes a huge extra workload for staff who are all pulling together to ensure minimal disruption for students who are able to attend school. We are organising the timetable to protect Year 11 and Year 13 teaching as a priority.

Work for students who do self-isolate can be found below.

I understand that this is an extremely worrying time for everybody. You, as parents, know your family circumstances and know your children, so are best placed to make the judgement on whether your children need to self-isolate following the advice given [Government stay at home advice](#). We, as a school, will respect your decision.

I apologize for any inconvenience caused and thank you for your continued patience and support. We continue to try and minimize the impact on the youngest students and examination classes in school. However, these arrangements could be overtaken by further government instructions or local necessity. Please continue to follow [NHS](#) guidance, as we are duty bound to follow the Department for Education [updated guidance](#).

I will update you if there is any further information I need to share.

Yours sincerely

Mrs G Ackred  
Headteacher

Work for students:

VLE:

<https://vle.st-thomasmore.southend.sch.uk/>

Extended Learning Booklets for each year group, which contain many additional hyperlinks.

[Year 7](#)

[Year 8](#)

[Year 9](#)

[Year 10](#)

[Year 11](#)

BBC Bitesize:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

MyMaths

<https://www.mymaths.co.uk/>

Ted Ed

<https://ed.ted.com>

All sorts of engaging educational videos

Duolingo

<https://www.duolingo.com>

Learn languages for free. Web or app.

Tassomai

<https://www.tassomai.com/>

Seneca

<https://www.senecalearning.com>

For those revising at GCSE or A level. Lots of free revision content. Paid access to higher level material.

National Geographic Kids

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/>

Activities and quizzes for younger students.

Mystery Science

<https://mysteryscience.com>

Free science lessons

British Council

<https://www.britishcouncil.org/school-resources/find>

Resources for English language learning

Big History Project

<https://www.bighistoryproject.com/home>

Aimed at Secondary age. Multi disciplinary activities.

Geography Games

<https://world-geography-games.com/world.html>

Geography gaming!