

Remote Learning

Top Tips for Parents/Guardians/Carers - Best Practice in Google Classroom

✓ **Encourage your son to follow his timetable.**

Currently a majority of parents/guardians/carers say that their son is able to follow his timetable. Ensure that your son has structure to the working day - start and finish times and appropriate breaks. Parents/guardians/carers should ensure that their son is ready to engage with his school work at 9.10 a.m. each morning so that he can follow his normal timetable in conjunction with his teachers.

✓ **Encourage your son to take a balanced approach to online and offline learning.**

A majority of parents/guardians/carers agree that there is a fair balance here. Check on your son regularly to ensure that he is working online safely and productively.

✓ **Encourage your son to logon to Google Classroom *daily* and complete work.**

This will give his days much-needed structure and make it easier for you to supervise. Most parents/guardians/carers report that it is easier if their son gets a schedule of work on a daily basis. This daily engagement also serves to promote good mental health and a sense of achievement.

✓ **Encourage your son to live a balanced lifestyle.**

Support him to eat well, get the right amount of sleep, exercise regularly, keep hydrated and take rest breaks. All of these measures will guarantee that he remains self-motivated in his learning. Please offer your son constant praise for his efforts during this time.

✓ **Support and monitor your son's work on Google Classroom on a regular basis.**

Many parents/guardians/carers feel that they are currently managing this very well and that is very encouraging feedback. This might include creating an appropriate place for him to study (maybe at the kitchen table rather than his bedroom) and checking that work set is completed to the best of his ability.

✓ **Contact your son's Form Tutor** if you have any concerns about any of his subjects or about his general well-being.

✓ **Encourage your son to contact his subject teachers directly**, should he require additional explanation or guidance, using the message facility within Google Classroom.



Please remember - if your son is having any technical problems, please email support@stcolumbscollege.org and these will be resolved as soon as possible!