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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am today emailing all students (to their school email account) reminding them that work is now being set for them on Show My Homework and also giving them details of how to log in to GSuite, which we hope to use to help facilitate online learning and support in the weeks to come.

You may have noticed that there is a button on the mobile version of the school website taking you to on-line learning (there is also a mirrored page on the main site). At the moment the focus of this page is mental health, as many people will be feeling stressed. But we will be putting more and more material here over the coming days covering the curriculum for all year groups. It is important that students continue with their learning. They need to keep in mind that when the COVID19 crisis is over they will be returning to school and progressing with their education – and everything else – just as before. They need to keep their brains active! Schoolwork may also help them deal with the boredom many will experience being at home.

I would be very grateful if you could remind them to log into their school email account, and to let me know if they are having any problems doing so. Along with Show My Homework, school email is likely to become a key channel for communication between school and students.

In the next week I will update you on the progress we are making in developing our on-line resources, and also the guidance and support material we will make available to parents and families that we hope will assist you in managing things whilst the school is closed.

I know some parents require their SMHW logins, or need to be reminded of these. Please bear with me on this. I will get these details out within the next week. Currently my focus is to move forward with the website and associated learning resources and also ensure other systems are properly in place.

On a separate note, later today I hope to contact all families of children on Free School Meals to let them know of how that FSM support will now be distributed, which is another area that has had to move online.

We will continue to update you with developments through our website, and particularly <http://bit.ly/hwscovid4>

With thanks for your continued support and my very best wishes for the future at this difficult time,

Yours faithfully



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Highgate Wood School Student Council supports individual action to address the issues of Climate Change and promotes the United Nations top 10 recommendations.

