



Dear Parents / Carers

Re: Year 11 Work during School Closure

Like other schools in the UK, John Madejski Academy is now closed. We will continue to update the website and Twitter with information of an opening date in due course. Our education offer will continue and your child is expected to complete the work we set.

We strongly recommend that that all students Year 7-13 remain in a normal school day routine. Students should be up and ready to begin school work by 8.30am and work through until 3.00pm – with the normal breaks. Year 11, 12, and 13 students will have a longer study period, as expected at this point in their schooling.

- Quiet learning environment
- Mobile Phone not in use
- Minimize the distraction of music

Before I explain how to access your child's work, here is further information for you:

A. Contact during school closure

How will I receive updates?

Updates on closure, cleaning and re-opening will be communicated via our website and Twitter account.

Our Twitter account is: @JMAcademy1

How will we maintain contact with key exam groups?

Exam Groups (Year 11, Year 12 retakes and Year 13)

Each student will be allocated a mentor: we will contact you, the parent/carer a minimum of every two days. We will enquire about work completed, answer questions and be a general support.

Staff Hours

Staff will work between the hours of 08:45 and 15:00 – all staff are accessible via email during this time.

B. School Work

What will teachers do?

We will set school work for your child on a day-to-day basis and feedback on any work submitted. We will also use this remaining time to undertake curriculum development, resourcing and moderation.

How much work will we set?

We will set work in line with your child's timetable loading. For example, if they have 5 lessons of English a week, the same amount of work will be set. We will provide example and lesson allocations in the year specific part of this document.

How will my child access their school work?

What do I do if I do not have access to the internet of a laptop?

If you do not have access to the internet or have a home computer, we have set Knowledge Organiser work and activities for all students. Work will be completed in an exercise book, then handed in on their return to school.

Note: we will contact each Yr 11 student every couple of days to support their studies

How should I structure my child's day?

- The final page of this letter will outline the expected routine your child will follow.
- Please also ensure your child reads for pleasure for at least 30minutes to 1 hours each **day**.

Students in Year 11 should be working 7 days out of 7. Their schedule should include, work set by teachers, revision and exam practise.

- You will notice from the schedule below; the expectation is for Year 11 students to be working during school hours and beyond.
- Examination practise should be daily and routine.
- Regardless of school closure or holidays, a routine similar to this is expected.

We will be using an online platform called **Share Point**. Teachers will either post work daily or a few lessons at a time. Work and expectations will be clearly labelled, sequenced and easy to follow. Work set on Share Point could refer your child to other learning platforms such as Hegarty Maths or Seneca. Your child will have the details for these.

Share Point

Website address: <https://jmaeducation.sharepoint.com/sites/JMAVLE/SitePages/Home.aspx>

Log in: Use your JMA email address

Password: Use your normal JMA password

Email

Some teachers will email work directly to their students

Share Point advice sheets can be found on our website

- Share Point

Activities can include (dependent on subject):

- Reading and Comprehension
- Note making
- Watching recorded lessons and completing associated activities
- Exam practise or test questions
- Reading, independently for 30min each day

Students are expected to email completed work to their teachers for feedback.

Some Maths work might be set on **Hegarty Maths**

Website address <https://hegartymaths.com/login/learner>

Log in: Student name and follow instructions

Password: your child has set their password already

If you have forgotten your password, please request '**rest password option**'

Advice from our ICT Department

If you encounter any IT problems whilst working from home, please use one of the appropriate contacts below:

1. I need my password resetting?

Please email passwordreset@johnmadejskiacademy.co.uk

2. I need guidance on using the VLE (Share Point)?

The VLE is available for Years 10, 11, 12 & 13 via:

<https://jmaeducation.sharepoint.com/sites/JMAVLE/SitePages/Home.aspx>

3. I can't connect to my WiFi/Internet?

Please note, we cannot support issues with your home WiFi/router.

We can however provide some advice or steps to try.
Please email homewifi@johnmadejskiacademy.co.uk

4. For any other IT related issues, please contact:
jma@whfit.org.uk

C. Other Questions

Who do I contact if I have safeguarding concern or need help?
sbarton@johnmadejskiacademy.co.uk

Other support:

Health: If you have any concerns about your child's health contact NHS 111 they can help if you have an urgent medical problem and you're not sure what to do.

Mental Health support: If you would like some advice about your child's mental health we recommend the following resources:

On-line Support

- **Mind**

www.mind.org.uk

InfoLine: 0300 123 3393 to call, or text 86463

Email info@mind.org.uk

- **YoungMinds**

www.youngminds.org.uk

Parents helpline: 0808 802 5544 (Mon-Fri from 9.30am to 4pm)

YoungMinds Crisis Messenger: text YM to 85258

- If you are feeling low, worried or isolated please telephone:

Childline: Tel: 0800 1111

Or

The Samaritans: Tel: 116 123

- If you have any concerns about any children in your care or in the community please contact Children social care via the Children Single Point of access on 01189 373641

- If you need support getting food contact the **Whitley Community Café** On 011893740052

Or

Reading's Food Bank

Website: <https://readifood.org.uk/>

Order a food parcel: <https://readifood.org.uk/order-a-food-parcel/>

General queries:

For general enquiries please email swarren@johnmadejskiacademy.co.uk. This email address is not for IT related questions.

D. Keep yourself healthy whilst at home

- **Stay active**

Aim for an average of at least 60 minutes of moderate intensity physical activity a day across the week. Reduce the time spent sitting or lying down and break up long periods of not moving with some activity. Aim to spread activity throughout the day. All activities should make you breathe faster and feel warmer

- **Stay hydrated**

Aim to drink 6-8 glasses of fluid every day.

- **Stay healthy**

Eating a healthy, balanced diet is an important part of maintaining good health, and can help you feel your best. This means eating a wide variety of foods in the right proportions. Try to eat at least 5 portions of a variety of fruit and vegetables every day and avoid foods and drinks that are high in fat, salt and sugar.

Thank you for your support and patience during this unsettling period and the undoubted disruption it will cause. However, we are keen to ensure that all students continue to engage with their learning and encourage you to discuss the work set with your child regularly so that any problems are identified early and addressed.

Warm regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dunphy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial 'D'.

Jo Dunphy
Interim Principal

Year 11 Expectations

Expectations

- You must follow this timetable exactly like it is a prescribed school day

Year 11 School Week TT													
DAY	8.30-9.30	15 mins break	9.45-10.45	15 mins break	11.00-12.00	30 mins break	12.30-1.30	15 mins break	1.45-2.45	15 mins break	3.00-4.00	After School Study 1	After School Study 2
Monday	Maths	15 mins break	English	15 mins break	Science	30 mins break	His/Geo	15 mins break	Option	15 mins break	RE/Sport/GCSE PE/T &T	Maths	Science
Tuesday	Maths	15 mins break	English	15 mins break	Science	30 mins break	His/Geo	15 mins break	Option	15 mins break	RE/Sport/GCSE PE/T &T	English	His/Geo
Wednesday	Maths	15 mins break	English	15 mins break	Science	30 mins break	His/Geo	15 mins break	Option	15 mins break	RE/Sport/GCSE PE/T &T	Science	Maths
Thursday	Maths	15 mins break	English	15 mins break	Science	30 mins break	His/Geo	15 mins break	Option	15 mins break	RE/Sport/GCSE PE/T &T	Option	His/Geo
Friday	Maths	15 mins break	English	15 mins break	Science	30 mins break	His/Geo	15 mins break	Option	15 mins break	RE/Sport/GCSE PE/T &T	RE/Sport/GCSE PE/T &T	English

- Tasks, videos, powerpoint and coursework will be set for you for these periods
- Please check Sharepoint and G4Schools for information on what you should be completing at these times
- Any work that is requested to be done must be fully completed and if asked for, must be emailed back to your teacher for marking
- Please email teachers if you are unsure of any task or need guidance on how to complete

Year 11 Weekend Study TT					
Saturday	Subject 1	Break	Subject 2	Break	Subject 3
Sunday	Subject 4	Break	Subject 4	Break	Subject 6

- Exams are now **less than 2 months away**
- You must be studying over the weekends from now until exams finish
- Here is a suggested guide on how to break up your study
- Breaks between study sessions should be at least 15 minutes but no longer than 30 minutes
- Use the available resources supplied by your teachers during this time

Suggested Learning Material:

Maths:

- Tasks will be set on Hegarty Maths by teachers with feedback to be given once tasks are completed
- Maths Genie
- Corbett Maths
- Past Paper Questions
- Revision booklets that have been supplied by the Maths department
- Your revision guides

English:

- Tasks will be set for students on Sharepoint and Go4schools which need to be typed or written and take a picture and email to Ms Haines (or Instagram) or Mrs Jheeta for marking.
- Mr Bruff Youtube videos
- Seneca for Literature
- Mr Salles Youtube videos
- Your revision guides
- Reading the set texts or watching approved versions in video form

Science:

- Seneca
- Youtube videos (Freesciencelessons Snapreviser, myGSCScience)
- Revision guides
- Revision powerpoints on Sharepoint
- Exam papers packs on Sharepoint

- Set revision tasks (e.g practical methods, mind maps etc)

History:

- Seneca
- Past paper questions set on Sharepoint and to be completed, marked and feedback given
- Youtube revision videos
- Revision guides

Geography:

- Seneca
- Past paper questions set on Sharepoint and to be completed, marked and feedback given
- Youtube revision videos
- Revision guides

RE:

- Past paper questions set on Sharepoint and to be completed, marked and feedback given
- Youtube revision videos
- Revision guides

Spanish:

- Seneca
- Past paper questions set on Sharepoint and to be completed, marked and feedback given Youtube revision videos
- Revision guides
- Speaking preparation

Catering:

- Finish and submission of NEA1 and NEA2 before AQA deadline
- Students to email work to DGR and DGR to mark and send students feedback
- Seneca to be set for exam paper element (50%)
- Past paper questions to be set on Sharepoint

- Revision Guides

GCSE PE:

- Seneca
- Past paper questions to be set via email or Sharepoint
- Revision Guides
- KO's
- Youtube revision videos

Coursework Subjects: Sport, Travel and Tourism, Business, Music and Performing Arts

- Completion of CW
- Teachers to email tasks or set on Sharepoint
- Students complete tasks, teacher marks and returns with feedback

