



# BURY ST EDMUNDS ALL-THROUGH TRUST COUNTY UPPER

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Dear Parents, Carers and Students

The summer term begins tomorrow and, as promised, I am writing with an update. In response to feedback, from tomorrow Year 9 and 10 students will receive their work weekly rather than daily. This will, we hope, enable them to engage in some more project style work, teach them a broader range of skills, allow them to explore topics in more depth and will not rely so much on them needing access to a computer at all times. The latter will also help where we know a number of members of each household are sharing computers. We have also found a way for students to receive teaching input via video. The method complies with e-safety requirements and will, we hope, enhance what we can offer. The videos will be uploaded via Google Classroom in the same way as students receive their work. Staff will still be available for email contact as they were before the holiday. We are still recommending that students establish a daily routine, take regular breaks from the screen during the day and take some form of physical exercise each day.

We are keen to communicate with students and parents as regularly as we can. From next week, there will be virtual assemblies for students to access and from this Friday, we will begin sending weekly editions of 'The County Courier' again. This will enable us to pass on messages from any staff, to keep you up to date on school matters and to remind you where you can access support from us, from specialist e-safety advisers and from those organisations offering health support at this time.

Thank you again for your continued support. If you need support with any aspect of accessing the online materials, please email our network manager, Mr Price, on [iprice@burytrust.org](mailto:iprice@burytrust.org). If you need any other support, do please continue to contact us via [countyupper@burytrust.org](mailto:countyupper@burytrust.org) at any time if we can help.

Yours sincerely

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