

Notice for students with Individual Learning Needs during the academy closure

Emotional Wellbeing Support

For students who have been accessing support for emotional wellbeing through **The Bridge (Mrs Bartle), School Nurse (Miss Slater), Peaces (Barnaby or Kate) or Youth in Mind (Imran)**.

Kooth

If you feel that you need some additional support during the time of closure, you are able to access NHS approved intervention through the KOOOTH website via **www.kooth.com**. If you have not already, you will be able to create your own independent log in to access this site.

Kooth, from XenZone, is an online counselling and emotional well-being platform for children and young people, accessible through mobile, tablet and desktop and free at the point of use. For more information about XenZone, please visit xenzone.com. If you're a parent looking for more information about Kooth, please email parents@xenzone.com

MYMUP

If you have been given a MYMUP log in via Youth in Mind, you will still be able to access this support also.

First Response and Mental Health Concerns

As a parent, if you have on-going concerns regarding your child's mental health which is not supported by the above services, you are advised to contact your GP or First Response in an emergency on 01274 221181. Further information can be found here: <https://www.bdct.nhs.uk/services/first-response/>

Cognition and Learning Needs or Dyslexia

For students who are being supported for Cognition and Learning Needs or Dyslexia through Lexia and IDL. Students will still be able to access these personalised programmes from home using a large web enabled device and headphones.

In order for you to continue your progress in these interventions, it is recommended that you access the programme for 3 X 30 minutes per week.

You should already have your IDL and Lexia log in written in your planner and be aware of the log in process. The websites can be accessed here:

<https://appuk.idlsgroup.com/#/login>

<https://www.lexiapowerup.com/> (teacher email gomeara@dixonsco.com)

If you do not remember your log in details please send me an email and I will forward these to you: gomeara@dixonsco.com

Speech, Language, Communication and Sensory Needs (Including Autism)

The National Autistic Society has some helpful general advice; keep up to date at:

<https://www.autism.org.uk/services/helplines/coronavirus.aspx>

Some free social stories/visual supports which might be helpful:

<https://carolgraysocialstories.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Pandemics-and-the-Coronavirus.pdf>

<https://www.mencap.org.uk/advice-and-support/health/coronavirus>

