

Letter from Mr John D Anderson, Depute Head Academic Leadership and Mr James Cluckie, Assistant Head Teacher

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Live clinics using MS Teams for pupils in new S3

We are delighted with the engagement of our pupils in their new S3 courses which we started on Monday. As of Tuesday 26th May, we intend to complement our Schoology provision with on-line clinics. These are live tutorial sessions hosted by class teachers and will take place at specific times throughout the week. I would be grateful if you could spend some time reviewing the following guidance with your son/daughter should they wish to take part in the on-line clinics.

These on-line sessions are voluntary for pupils and will work best if pupils submit questions to teachers in advance of each session.

- The timetable of clinics can be found on the last page of this document.
- Online access codes are contained on page 4 of this document.

If you have any queries, please contact us using the contact details below.

Kind regards,

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Live Online Support – Guidance for Parents / Carers

Microsoft Teams has been chosen as our solution for live online support because we can limit access to those within our community. The safety of all participants (staff and pupils) is of the utmost importance. Please read this in conjunction with the guidelines for pupils.

- 1. Please do not participate in the meeting or ask to speak to the teacher. Please use the normal communication channels for this. If you feel something is inappropriate, please ask you child to withdraw and report it to our safeguarding team (Mrs Erskine or Mr Ferrie).
- If an issue comes to light online either for you or your child outside these video meetings, visit <u>Report Harmful Content</u> for more advice. Anyone over the age of 13 can submit reports and access on their devices. It's worth letting children know about the <u>website</u> in case their first response isn't automatically to come and tell you.
- 3. At times like these it's always great to see the wider community coming together, with people helping each other out. However, it's worth remembering that in these unprecedented times, there will sadly be a number of 'bad actors'. Currently, there are lots of people offering support to parents and carers for home schooling via groups and live streams across a multitude of platforms. This unfortunately could be seen as an opportunity for unsavoury characters to find their way to young people. There will be people looking to exploit these situations and, whilst the majority of people's intentions are well meaning and honest, it is timely to remind you about these risks.



Live Online Support – Guidance for Pupils

Be PREPARED	Keep yourself SAFE	Show RESPECT
 Create a quiet work space in a public room in your house, i.e. not your bedroom but a shared space like a kitchen, dining room or study. Think carefully about what is in the background of your image or audio. Test this 	 Cameras should be switched on in order for you to engage with your teacher and classmates. All clinics will be recorded to keep everyone safe and will be stored in the Team feed. 	 Listen to your teacher Clinics should be a safe place for all pupils to be, so treat your teacher and classmates with respect at all times. Conduct yourself in the same way you would in a class setting.
out in advance and make sure there is nothing you wouldn't like your teacher/classmates to see.	 You are not allowed to record or share any still images, audio or video clips from the clinic, or allow others to record or share these. 	 Contribute to discussions and encourage/support your classmates. Be careful not to talk over others.
• Be appropriately dressed. For instance, pyjamas are not acceptable for clinics.	• You must not upload screenshots, images, video or sound from your teacher, classmates onto	 If a teacher mutes your audio, they will have done so for a good reason. Please leave it muted until the teacher
 Have all your course materials ready on your desk before the clinic begins. Headphones and 	 social media such as Snapchat or Instagram. If at any point you feel unsafe then leave the meeting and report your 	unmutes it. Sometimes the clinic may begin like this so that your teacher can check everyone is ready.
microphones and with clarity and cutting out unwanted background noise.	concerns immediately to a parent or carer and our safeguarding team:	• Stay focussed and keep all comments related to the course material.
 Send your teacher questions in advance of the clinics. 	Mrs Erskine – <u>ierskine@staloysius.org</u> Mr Ferrie – RFerrie@staloysius.org	• Please do not eat during clinics. This can be off- putting for teachers and your classmates.
• Phones are not permitted in clinics.	 If an issue with on-line content comes to light 	
 Keep other devices away from your work area. 	outside these meetings, visit <u>Report Harmful</u> <u>Content</u> for advice. Anyone over the age of 13 can submit reports and access on their devices. If you are younger, please involve your parent/carer.	



Live Online Video Clinics - Instructions for Pupils – using MS Teams

1. Log in to Teams

Teams can be accessed from Apps or a browser on a PC. Log in to <u>www.office.com</u> using your school email address. The password should be the same as your school PC password. If you cannot login, email <u>jewart@staloysius.org</u> and he will reset your password. Once in, click on the Teams icon to start. Overall, the experience is much better using Apps which are available for PC, Mac or iPad. They are also available for Android and iOS phones but the small screen size may prove difficult.

2. Joining a Team (Only required once)

The codes for each team are included and enable you to sign up to your respective subjects. To join, click on the icon with two people and a plus, then choose the option Join a Team with a code and enter the code.

Subject	Code	Subject	Code
S3 Biology	flj0jhe	S3 Latin	lwazxss
S3 Business	9ibuuc6	S3 Maths A	4pu1bgx
S3 Chemistry	jf8s9ie	S3 Maths B	zij1p8y
S3 Computing	6gh2qy9	S3 Modern Studies	r4g5ro2
S3 Drama	ioyvp0c	S3 Music	smzerly
S3 English A	rir6fmj	S3 PE	0p812yl
S3 English B	6exae4l	S3 Physics	jzmgtyi
S3 French	f7y8wmo	S3 RMPS	icjkm8y
S3 Geography	ivtqpdk	S3 Spanish	02widdo
S3 Graphics	85rlnjy	S3Art	gy29m41
S3 History	ph074ga	S3Italian	rb62bsd

3. General Guidance on Using a Clinic

To get the most from clinics, it would be useful if you let your teacher know in advance what you need help with. This will enable them to have the materials they will need to deal with your questions. You can also turn up on the day and ask questions. Even if you don't have any questions, you may learn from those that others are asking.

4. Getting started with a Clinic

Once logged on, click on the calendar icon, then the relevant meeting within the calendar and then Join. Choose whether you want to start with Video/Mic/Speaker on, then click Join Now.



Most functions are controlled from a floating menu that appears near the bottom middle of the screen when you move your mouse over it or click anywhere on an iPad screen.



The icons in order are:

Camera (on/off),

Mic (on/off),

More Actions, Chat (which can be useful if you are having audio or video problems), Participants (see below) and Hang Up. On the iPad Chat and Participants are at the top right of the screen.

If your teacher enables it **Share Screen** lets you share with the rest of the class a live view of your screen rather than your camera. You could use this to talk them through a presentation / file / website / video. Using your iPad, you can also **Share Video** which changes to the rear camera which could be pointing at a worked solution.

Participants lets you see who is in the meeting.

Raise your hand: this can be used to alert your teacher that you wish to ask a question.



All meetings will continue to be recorded until the last participant leaves.



New S3	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4	Session 5
	10:15 to 11:00	11:15 to 12:00	12:15 to 1:00	1:15 to 2:00	2:15 to 3:00
Monday	Geography	Spanish	RMPS		French
Tuesday	Art	Music	Drama	N5 PE	
Wednesday	Latin	Computing	Physics	English A English B	Biology
Thursday	Italian	Chemistry		Business	History
Friday	Modern Studies	Maths A Maths B	Graphics		

- 1. English and Maths will issue specific instructions on Schoology to pupils to explain whether to join A or B.
- 2. RMPS will conduct sessions for each form class. Instructions will be issued on Schoology.