



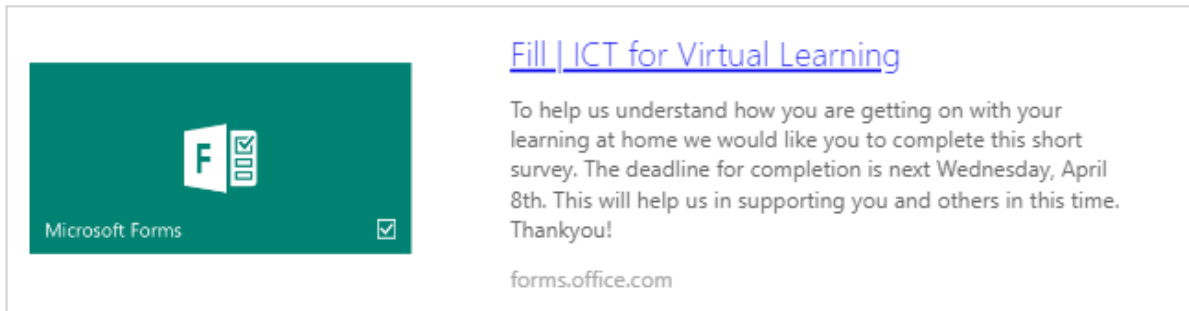
Dear Parents/Carers

Now that the Easter break is here, staff will not be setting work for the next two weeks. Students may still wish to complete work they did not get done in the last two weeks, although it is really important they rest too. Any work sent to teachers will not be looked at until the new term starts. We would like students to still contact their tutor using Microsoft Teams at least once each week during the Easter period to keep that wonderful dialogue open. This should be done by Wednesday lunchtime of each week. We have been really impressed how well students have done with this so thank you for your support in encouraging them.

A survey has been given out to students to help us understand how their virtual learning is progressing and what barriers might be in their way which we can take account of when arranging the online curriculum. All students must complete the survey by Friday April 10th. The link to it is:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=zv6eaoiFkUq6ZIVPZysVGUbruV8cuaJHmoe6qWeLpQ5UMjdRUDVLQTg4MUtYNTThCTVZaMDczTVZROC4u>

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To help us understand how you are getting on with your learning at home we would like you to complete this short survey. The deadline for completion is next Wednesday, April 8th. This will help us in supporting you and others in this time. Thankyou!

forms.office.com

One aspect that we would like you, as parents, to consider when supporting your son/daughter is their e safety. All work set by teachers are selected to be on websites which are safe and protected for our students. We are all learning to use new tools in new environments and in some of these it requires the students to understand how to communicate in the correct manner - with teachers and with each other. Some rules about online communication for you to be aware of so you can support your son/daughter are:

1. Treat the communications like in school : don't message anything you teacher would not allow you to call out in class
2. Don't get personal : any messages should be school work related and not one-to-one personal chats - EVERYONE CAN SEE

3. Don't post/message inappropriate material - text, sound, images, GIF or video files
4. Report any inappropriate material from classmates or teachers to your teacher or form tutor

With regards general esafety outside school work, it is important that you and your son/daughter know who to report any issues to. These would be:

- [Childline](#) - for support
- [UK Safer Internet Centre](#) - to report and remove harmful online content
- [CEOP](#) - for advice on making a report about online abuse

There is also other support for parents and carers to help keep their children safe online. This includes:

- [Internet matters](#) - for support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online
- [London Grid for Learning](#) - for support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online
- [Net-aware](#) - for support for parents and careers from the NSPCC
- [Parent info](#) - for support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online
- [Thinkuknow](#) - for advice from the National Crime Agency to stay safe online
- [UK Safer Internet Centre](#) - advice for parents and carers

Safety at this time is paramount and following the government guidance on social distancing for all Queensbury students is crucial. Please ensure that your son/daughter continues not to go out to meet friends and instead stay safe in their home at all times. Encouraging exercise is important and can be done outside but should be done on their own or just with a family member.

Finally - if you would still like to know more about free school meal vouchers then please look at our website for updates or contact Kim Morena at [admin@queensburyacademy.com](mailto:admin@queensburyacademy.com)

I would like to thank all those who have passed on some wonderful messages of support for the Academy and its staff during this difficult time. We really appreciate the incredible engagement of both parents and students online as we continue to ensure students are safe and are engaged in meaningful learning.

We very much hope you stay safe and well and where possible, you have a nice Easter break too.

Yours faithfully

Mark Little

Principal

