



Noel-Baker Academy

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Dear Parent / Carer

As we move into June, and the final half-term of this academic year, I am writing to update you regarding the development of our provision for students in Years 7, 8 and 9.

When it was first announced that schools would be closed for the majority of students, our provision focused on work which would support our students to revise key knowledge already studied and provide activities which would help them to maintain that knowledge in their long-term memories. Without knowing how long our students would be away from school, we wanted to ensure that every learner received work which would put them in the strongest possible position to return to the Academy for new learning with their teachers once this was possible. Following the latest announcements and guidance from the government, you will now know that students in Years 7, 8 and 9 (unless attending site for key worker childcare provision) will continue to study at home with support from their teachers. Whilst revision and consolidation of prior learning was an effective and vital use of students' study time in the first phase of lockdown, the Academy now wishes to develop our provision to move students on to learning new knowledge. Therefore, beginning on the 8th of June, you will notice changes to the materials and lesson instructions sent out to your child.

In most number of subjects, **assessment will now be completed using 'Microsoft Forms', meaning that your child must continue to access their Noel-Baker email account using Office 365.** 'Microsoft Forms' is the mechanism through which all Humanities subjects have already been assessed each week, meaning that your child will be familiar with this platform.

The new element of your child's learning will now be delivered via a video, which may come from a number of online sources selected by our Curriculum Directors in each area of study. You may be directed to the **Oak National Academy** website, where recorded lesson content delivered by qualified teachers is available for a number of subjects, and for which you will not require any login details in order to use the service. Mathematics will continue to use **Maths Watch**, the platform that all Key Stage 3 students have already been accessing for Maths. Alternatively, you may be directed to the **BeReady** website, a platform which is also packed with curriculum content and recorded lessons to support home learning. In order to use this website, students will need to follow the link sent to their Office 365 email accounts last term. Please do not worry if you did not save these details and this email: logins and passwords for all students will be re-set and re-sent prior to June 8th in order for students to access their work. The BeReady platform also offers the benefit of 'Knowledge Checks' linked to each online lesson, allowing teachers to continue to monitor your child's engagement and learning during this extended period of time away from the Academy. On logging in to the website, your child will be able to see what new work has been set for them, and follow the links to that work in order to complete it in a timely manner. Included at the end of this letter is an example of your child's homepage on the BeReady website to support first-time users.

Outlined for you below is the Academy's home study provision for each curriculum subject. This will help you and your child to know what type of work is being set and where that work will be located online. All work and instructions will be available by 9am on the Monday morning of a new school week, to allow you to plan your child's study around other

commitments at home during these difficult times. I have also included for you a suggested daily study timetable to keep your child's routine organised.

Subject	How Many Sessions Will Be Provided Each Week?	From Which Online Platform Will The Video/Recorded Portion Of Lessons Be Taken?	On Which Platform Will My Child Complete The Assessed 'Quiz' For Each Lesson?	Where Can My Child See Details Of This Week's Work?
English	4	Oak National Academy	Microsoft Forms	Go 4 Schools. Your child will also need to access their school emails for the Microsoft Forms link.
Maths	4	MathsWatch	MathsWatch	Go 4 Schools
Science	3	BeReady	BeReady	Go 4 Schools
MFL – French (Year 7 Only)	2	BeReady	BeReady	Go 4 Schools
MFL – Spanish (Years 8 & 9 Only)	2	BeReady	BeReady	Go 4 Schools
Latin (Year 7 Only)	1	Oak National Academy	Microsoft Forms	Go 4 Schools. Your child will also need to access their school emails for the Microsoft Forms link.
History	2	Oak National Academy	Microsoft Forms	Please find all materials, and the Microsoft Forms link, located on the Academy website. *
Geography	2	Oak National Academy	Microsoft Forms	Please find all materials, and the Microsoft Forms link, located on the Academy website. *
RE	1	Oak National Academy	Microsoft Forms	Please find all materials, and the Microsoft Forms link, located on the Academy website. *
Art	1	Academy videos. Oak National Academy videos may also be used.	Microsoft Forms	Please find all materials, and the Microsoft Forms link, located on the Academy website. *
DT	1	Academy videos.	Microsoft Forms	Please find all materials, and the Microsoft Forms link, located on the Academy website. *
Music	1	YouTube	Microsoft Forms	Go 4 Schools Your child will also need to access their school emails for the Microsoft Forms link.
Drama	1	YouTube	Microsoft Forms	Go 4 Schools Your child will also need to access their school emails for details of the video materials set and for the Microsoft Forms link.
PE (Both Practical & Theoretical)	1	Academy videos	Microsoft Forms	Please find all materials and links located on the Academy website. *
PSHE	1 extended session	Videos will be sourced from a variety of online platforms and details emailed to your child's school email address.	Microsoft Forms	Go 4 Schools Your child will also need to access their school emails for details of the video materials set and for the Microsoft Forms link.

*Please click on the 'Curriculum' tab on the Academy home page. Then Select 'Home Learning' and follow the link for the appropriate year group and subject.

Suggested Student Daily Timetable Of Study

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
English	MFL	Science	Geography	Drama
Maths	English	History	Science	History
PE	Maths	RE	English	English
Art	Geography	Maths	MFL	Maths
Science	Latin (Year 7 Only)	DT	Music	PSHE

BeReady Website Navigation

Any notifications and alerts will be displayed here. These include new work set by one of your teachers.

Clicking on this box here will allow you to view and complete the work that has been set for you by your teachers.

The screenshot shows the BeReady Student Dashboard for a user named Joe. The dashboard is divided into several sections:

- Alerts:** A section titled "ALERTS" with a message: "You currently have no alerts".
- Welcome:** A "WELCOME" message: "Hello and welcome to the BeReady platform! Within this site you will find a wealth of free training courses and resources to help you build your skills and succeed in your future career. You will find CPD-accredited courses covering key topics such as leadership, communication and resilience. These are written by specialists and feature interactive quizzing and top tips from some of the UK's biggest companies. You will also be able to find out about the latest labour market information, apprenticeships and university pathways. This site is a fantastic tool to help you develop key skills and build bright futures for yourselves so make sure you check out the resources available to you!"
- My Assigned Learning:** A section titled "MY ASSIGNED LEARNING" with a "to do" sticky note and a "FIND COURSES" button.
- Latest Badges:** A section titled "LATEST BADGES" with four badges: "Starting the Job Hunt", "Settling Into University Life", "Presentation Skills Micro-Course", and "Networking".
- Current Learning:** A section titled "CURRENT LEARNING" with a message: "You do not have any current learning. For previously completed learning see your Record of Learning."
- Navigation:** At the bottom, there are three navigation cards: "UNIVERSITY", "CAREERS", and "MY PROFILE".

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to continue your child's education during these unprecedented times.

Yours faithfully,

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