



Engagement strategies and ideas

What parents can do



·Accept the invite to Google Classroom so that you can see daily/weekly assignments that are being set and completion/missed deadlines



Create a working space where you can see your child working. If this is not possible and your son/daughter is working from their bedroom, keep the door open so that s/he knows you are monitoring this.



Ensure you know your son/daughter's school timetable for the school day. Keep to break and lunchtimes to maintain a regular way of working.



If you receive an email from the school about non-attendance to lessons/non-engaging with the work, have a conversation with your child. Contact the school on contactus@highamlaneschool.co.uk if you require further help/information/support.



Your son/daughter may not want to sit in their school uniform of course! However, establishing a clear morning routine of having breakfast and being dressed helps to create the right frame of mind for learning.



Have a look on Google Classroom with your son/daughter. Look at messages that are being sent by teachers, go to the 'classwork' tab so that you can see what teachers have asked your son/daughter to work on. Has s/he submitted this work?



Manage distractions: take the X-Box lead away during school hours, agree that the phone will stay in a certain place to help students focus and concentrate.



Check-in every day with your child about their learning. Tell me the three most interesting things you learnt today... Share their experience, sit down with your child and ask him/her to show you Google Classroom and how lessons are taught. Ask him/her to help you understand what a typical lesson involves. You could ask him/her to explain subject by subject so you're aware of the subtle differences.