Downs View School and Colleges
Home Learning Provision

What we will cover

- Reflection on previous lockdown and lessons learnt
- Current lockdown arrangements
- Downs View Home Learning Provision overview
- Sample of provision offered
- Top tips for successful Home Learning
- Useful links

Reflection on previous lockdown

- March - December 2020: Process of **trial and error.** Research documents produced (Jacqui Shepherd).
- Consideration was given for what **platform(s)** would be used and how learning would be **monitored**.
- **Baseline assessment for families** was undertaken – to establish if they have the internet, laptops, tablets etc. This allows us to adapt learning to individual needs.
- **Individual needs assessment for each learner** based on their EHC plan to ensure needs are met (e.g. switches for communication).

Reflection on previous lockdown - lessons learnt

- Feedback is key – Ensure communication is clear & ongoing
- Governors' & Trustees' must be involved in decision making
- Consideration must be give to how the approach works for different groups - ensure vulnerable groups are supported through an effective safeguarding system.
- Monitor the numbers of learners accessing lessons and tasks; follow up any absences
- Evaluate the impact of the current system- Evolve
- Professional support - intervention plans

Current lock down arrangements

- **Planning days** are used to discuss our Home Learning Provision and share good practice.

- **A Shared folder** is available to all teachers across the organisation to avoid duplication.

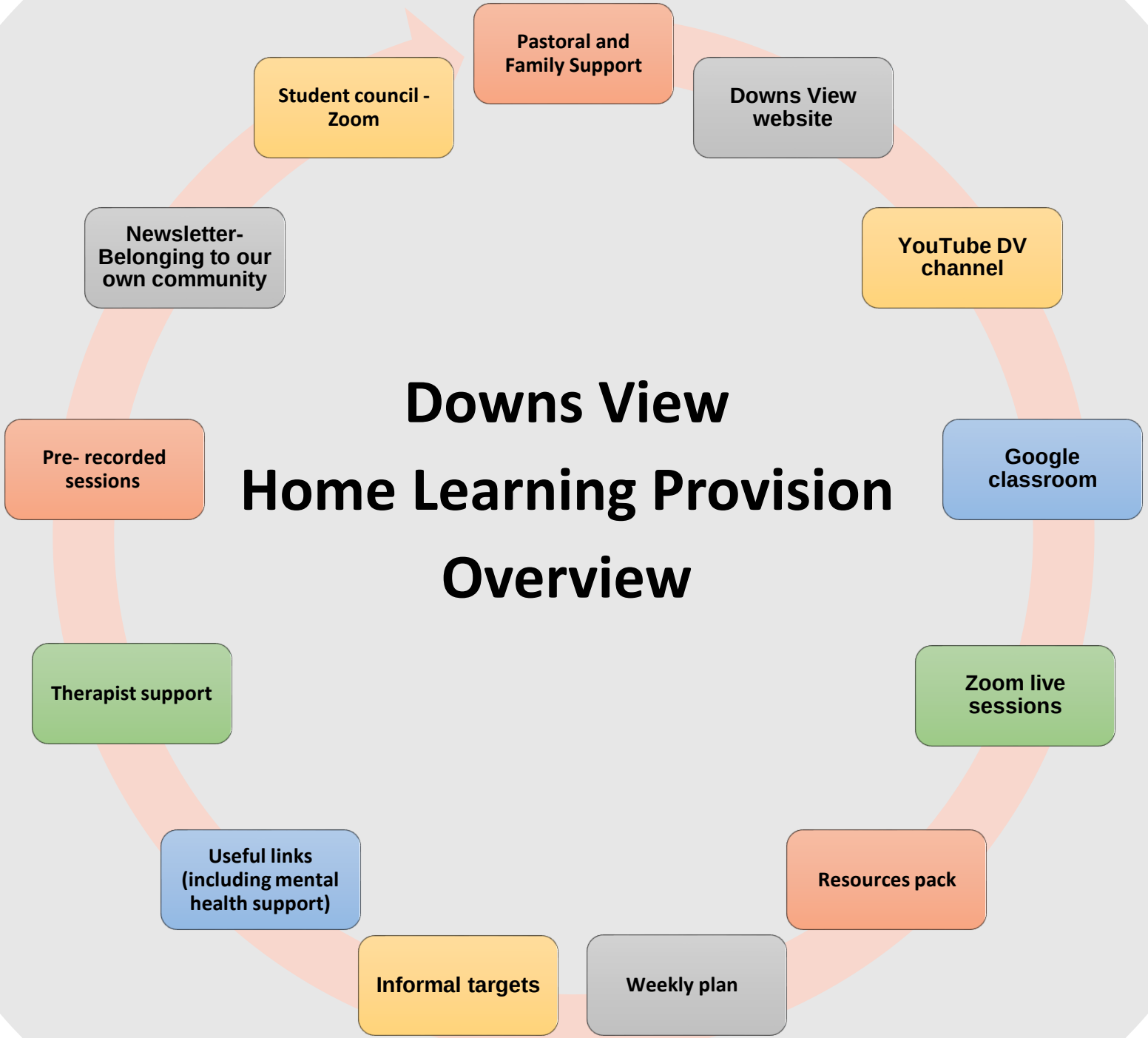
- We have considered the **training and support** staff need to ensure effective home learning provision

- We recognise that **extra time is needed** to plan and teach learners at home and at school. This includes planning the effective use of Teaching Assistants; calling parents, resource making

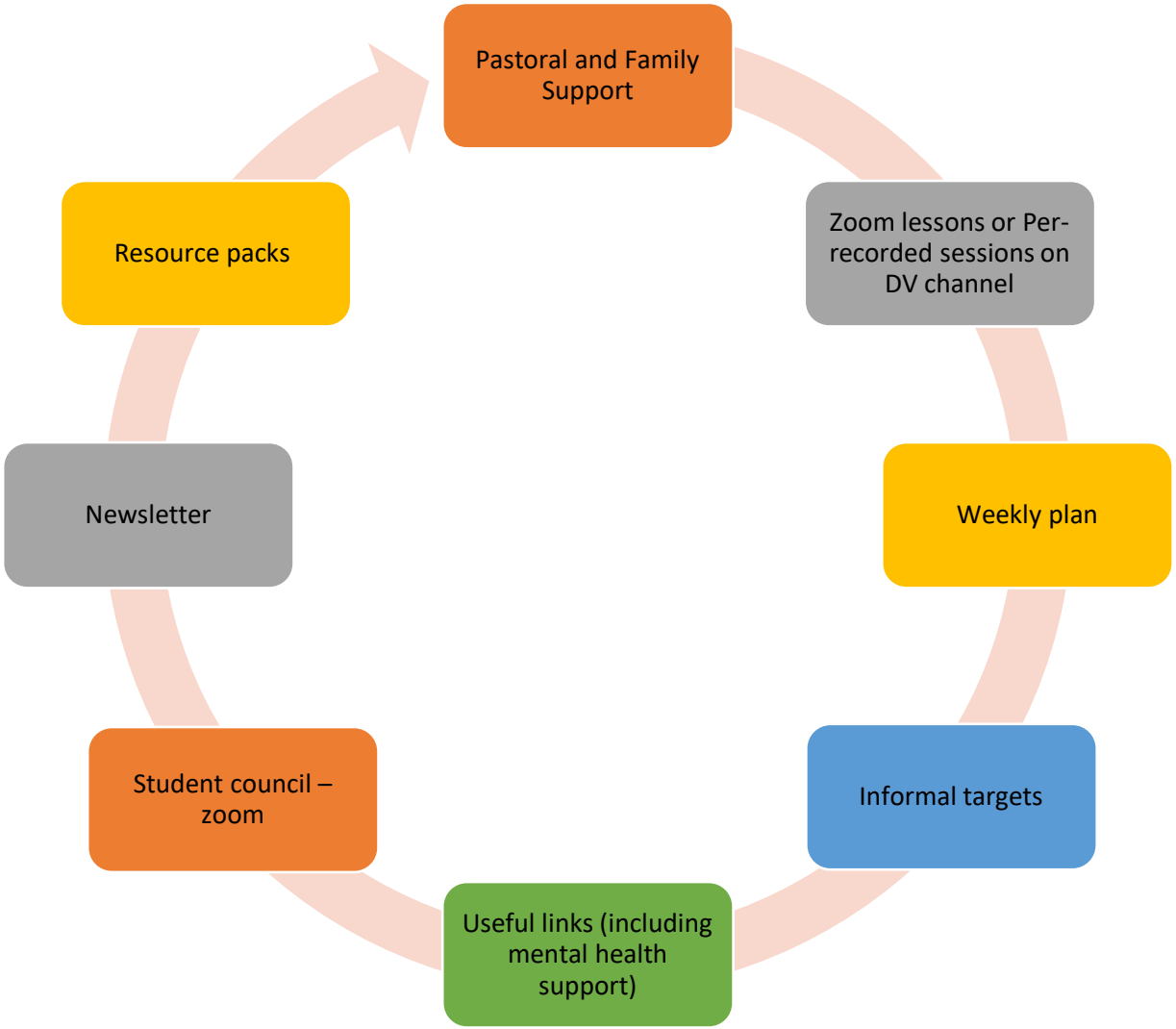
Downs View Home Learning Provision overview

- Provision will be different according to individual needs
- We will establish the best way to support learners at home through conversation with parents.
- All teachers must have in place a timetable, weekly parental contact and targets for the term.

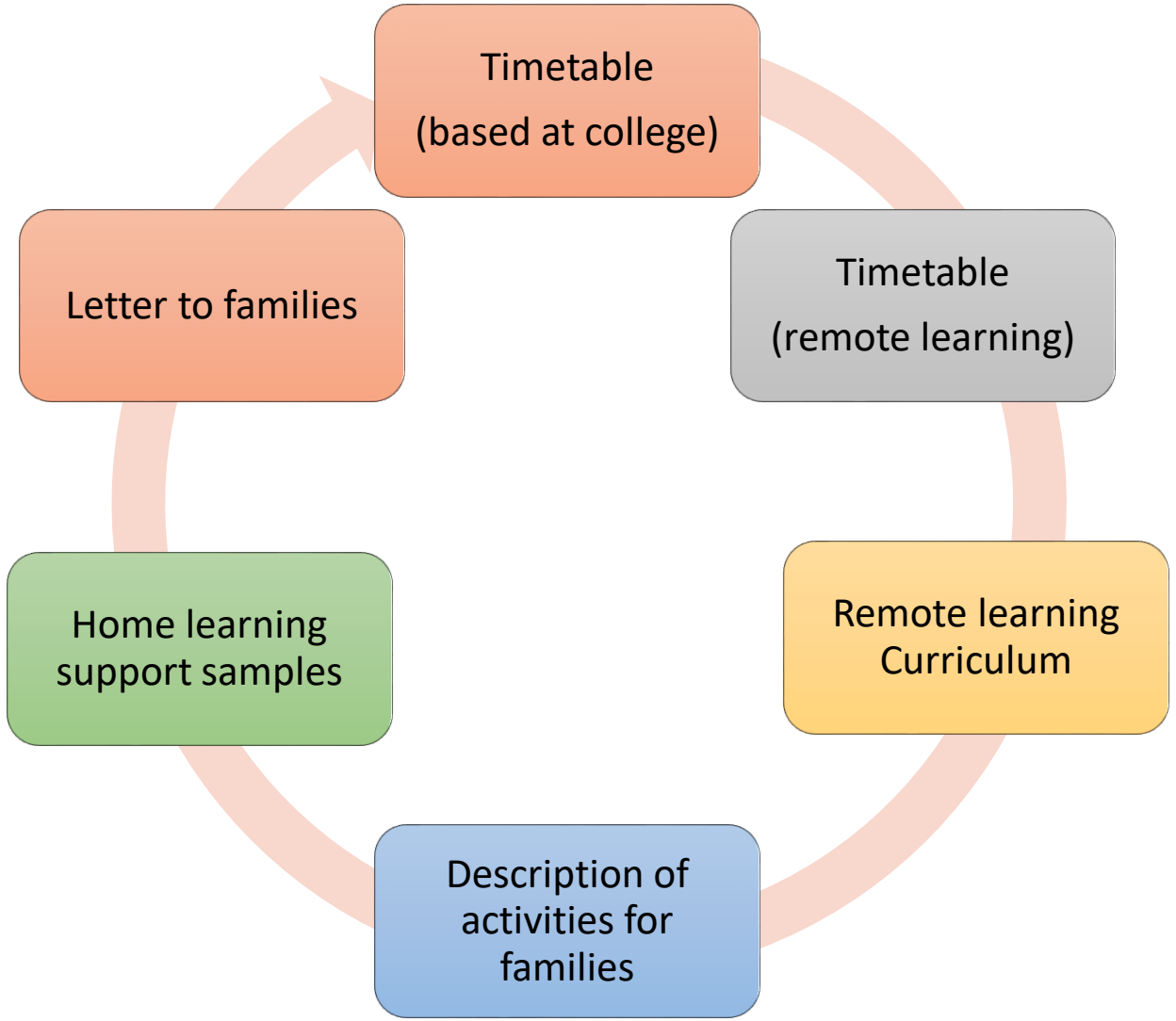
Downs View Home Learning Provision Overview



Home Learning Support Sample



Supporting documents



Successful Home Learning - top tips for staff

- ***Keep contact with parents/ carers***
- Keep Head of Sites up to date and share anything that worries you
- Follow **safeguarding** procedures when planning remote education and teaching remotely
- Use simple and clear guidelines specific to each learner. Too many resources can be overwhelming for parents.
- Ensuring the **provision offer** is accessible for learners and parents.
- ***Well-being support*** Do not go home with something that worries you - always talk about it with SLT. If working from home, ensure you are taking appropriate breaks. Stay in touch with your whole team (including those currently not working on site).
- ***Work with other professionals*** to support Home Provision

Successful Home Learning
Top tips for families

- ***Establish a daily routine*** - a timetable of healthy routines will provide structure and purpose.
- ***Make time for daily physical activity*** – indoors or outdoors
- ***Develop life skills*** - Help your child learn how to prepare their lunch, use a washing machine or change their bedsheets.
- ***Work on personal care skills*** - Identify self-care tasks your child would like to do more independently e.g. tying shoelaces, getting dressed, personal hygiene routine

Useful Links

- Online education resources for home learning (DfE). https://www.gov.uk/guidance/get-help-with-remote-education

- Safeguarding and remote education during COVID-19.

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/safeguarding-and-remote-education-during-coronavirus-covid-19

- Keeping Children Safe in Education.

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