

Good afternoon,

5th January 2021

Once again, thank you for your support in this ever-changing situation. I can confirm the following information but know there are still some questions you may have. Decisions are being made as quickly as possible although we may still need to adapt our practices as we settle into lockdown learning and we ask that you bear with us through this.

For children in school:

Uniform: Just to confirm, unlike last lockdown, children should attend school in their uniform. However, with the weather beginning to get colder and the need for ventilation in classrooms we suggest children wrap up with extra layers including, skins or thermal underclothes, school PE/FS sweatshirts, fingerless gloves and woollen beanie hats and a bodywarmer all being appropriate garments too.

Daily timetable: Each day the children are in school will be a full school day. Children will be in their class bubbles and so can continue to follow the staggered start and end times. Children should however all come to school through the main gate (Rec, Y3) or front gate by year 2 (Y1, Y2, Y4, Y5 and Y6) and will then filter down or round to their classroom door.

For children working remotely:

Equipment and remote learning: It's been lovely to see children accessing their remote learning emails and the work set by teachers. There are a few children who have still not signed on. Please let us know if you are having difficulties signing on, as unlike in the summer, we now have to register the children and contact any families finding difficulties to engage.

Completing work:

Government guidelines indicate that all learning should be progressive, building on what they are doing each day. Therefore, it is vital that children are completing their assigned tasks daily, so that they are able to access the work the day after. Please can we remind children to also read the instructions before attempting the work; then they should fully understand the requirements.

The Teams chat function allows children to make comments and ask questions during the session time. This chat is monitored; please remind children that it is not an opportunity to have a general chat with friends, although I am aware this is tempting, thank you.

Extra information for all families:

Year 6: Just to confirm swimming is now obviously cancelled for year 6 children this half term and there will be no sports or extra-curricular clubs available.

FSM and hot lunches: All children in receipt of free school meals will be receiving a voucher to allow them to access food for lunch times. Any children attending school will be able to access their universal or free school meal on the days they are in. It is also possible for any children who normally pay for a hot dinner to receive it if they are attending school.

I am aware that there are still questions you may have and will be writing again soon when decisions have been made.

Kind regards



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