



Dear Parents/Carers,

5th January 2021

Thank you for all the kind messages last night and this evening. We are endeavouring to answer all of your requests and questions, but as I am sure you can appreciate, our main focus is to activate our remote learning offer and engage with our learners at home.

Hopefully, everyone has now managed to sign onto their Microsoft Teams remote learning email and that children have received today's uploaded messages and activities. Instructions are attached again below. Each day the work will be uploaded and the teachers will inform you of any work which needs to be submitted for them to see. Please remember all children can access Oxford Owl for reading books and from Year 1 children can also access Spelling Frame and Times Table Rock Stars too. Accelerated Reader will also be opened up to quiz at home from Monday 11th January 2021.

From this afternoon, there will be tables outside of school. These tables will hold the class reading book for each year group and the necessary phonics books for children who access RW Inc. Phonics. Please can we ask that you collect these resources today if possible, as they will be referenced in lessons uploaded onto Teams during the next six weeks.

Today, the government have updated their guidance to schools and we again ask for all parents/carers to follow the expected guidance. This requires parents/carers to understand their status regarding critical workers and if they meet this criteria, to provide 'simple evidence' that they are a critical worker to request for their child to attend school. We will need to receive this evidence via email tatworth@educ.somerset.gov.uk before confirming attendance.

Please do not call the office. Here is the link again for those of you who need to check whether you are covered <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

You will receive an email today if you have requested a place for your child as a critical worker. Going forward we require all place requests by Wednesday 12pm each week for the following week.

Critical workers in the March lockdown need not provide further evidence providing their situation has not changed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have other questions or queries.

Kind regards

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