



Good afternoon,

6<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Hopefully by now, your child will have found their first lesson of the day uploaded onto the Microsoft Teams remote learning account. The teachers and I have had a meeting this morning to confirm some of our arrangements and combine some of our practices to hopefully make things easier and more uniform across the classes.

Going forward, children will have at least one of their lessons uploaded by 8.50 am each school day. Lessons may go onto Teams the night before, but generally they will appear between 8 and 8:50am. It appears that it is quicker and easier to download Powerpoints rather than view them through Teams. This may also help with the amount of data needed to access the embedded clips too.

#### Children's work:

All children should now have a school exercise book at home and should record all of their work in this book. Please remember that the work in these books should remain neat and tidy. For now, please check work at home. We will contact you soon with more information about how we will ask you to submit work so that teachers can see it and give feedback.

#### Communication:

Please be aware that all messages written on the Teams channels can be viewed by everyone else, so if you need to contact the teacher directly, please use the homelearning email address: [homelearning.sch331@educ.somerset.gov.uk](mailto:homelearning.sch331@educ.somerset.gov.uk) If children or parents wish to ask a question about the work, please write a message within the Teams channel. **Please remember that this is not the place for children to chat between themselves, and that language should be appropriate, as it would be if they were here in school.** As our lessons are not live at a set time, the teacher will not necessarily be able to respond immediately to any queries, but all messages will be viewed by the teacher at some point.

#### Timetables:

From next week, each class will have a timetable uploaded, which will go onto the General channel on a Monday morning.

#### Learning Behaviours:

We will contact you soon about how we will continue to award Learning Behaviour points during remote learning. Please do not award these yourselves at the moment. Thank you.

#### Extra information:

I have heard this morning that some of the mobile phone companies are offering free data or updates. These companies include: Three, Smarty, Virgin Mobile, EE, Tesco Mobile and Sky Mobile. The government address is: <https://get-help-with-tech.education.gov.uk/about-increasing-mobile-data> Please let us know if this is something that would help and we can investigate further.

#### Collection of books/phonics:

Thank you to all families who ventured out yesterday to collect resources and equipment to support remote learning. For those families who are still to collect, we hope to see you today as you are out for your daily exercise and have left a table out the front of school with labelled resources.

We are continuing to work hard to answer all the emailed queries and endeavour to get back to you soon.

Kindest regards, Tracey Hart. Headteacher



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