

AVJS Bulletin: 1st March 2021

We have only one more week to go before schools are open to everyone again. This is something we are looking forward to and really welcome. We know that remote learning has not always been easy for you and being back in school may not be an easy transition for some of the children. We will make sure that we support the children to settle back into class, progress with their learning and be there for any concerns that they may have.

We are pleased with how the children have responded to the remote learning on ClassDojo and in general, the quality of the work has been really good. We will continue to use ClassDojo for messaging purposes and the need for remote learning should it arise again. In line with government guidelines, we are **“required to provide remote education to pupils who are unable to attend school because they are complying with government guidance or legislation around coronavirus (COVID -19).”** That means we will not be providing it for other absences.

We have updated our risk assessment to ensure that we meet the latest guidelines issued by the government. It is important that everyone in school adheres to this and we will be regularly speaking to the children about this. We ask that you also talk to your child(ren) about what to expect and what they will need to do to ensure that all risks are kept to a minimum, for example, regular hand washing, maintaining social distance wherever possible. The updated risk assessment will be available on our website later this week.

As you know, Club Vale will re-open next week for both breakfast and after school sessions. If you would like your child to attend, please book via ParentPay by the end of day on Thursday or by completing the booking form if you pay by voucher. The government advises parents and carers to **“limit their use of multiple out of school settings providers, and to only use one out of school setting in addition to school as far as possible.”** School meals need to be booked on ParentPay by the end of the day on Sunday. A copy of the menu can be found on the school website.

Online safety has always been important, although never more so than now. We are raising the profile of online safety within school and shall be including an online safety section in our regular bulletin. This will contain advice and information for parents and carers, as well as ways you can support your child in developing their understanding of online safety. You can find some useful information in the online safety section of the school website, under the parents tab or follow this link <https://www.arnovale.co.uk/e-safety/>

Later this half term, we will be holding our parent consultation meetings over the phone again as we did in the autumn term. These will be on either Tuesday 30th March, Wednesday 31st March or Thursday 1st April. Invitations will be sent out via email after 6pm tomorrow, Tuesday 2nd March and we ask that you book your appointment as soon as possible. Due to the lockdown, this will be an opportunity to discuss with staff how your child has coped with the remote learning and how we can support and challenge your child



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going forward. If you have changed any of your contact details over the lockdown, please let us know as soon as possible.

It is over two months since the children have been in school and in that time, lots can change. If there have been any changes to your child's medical condition, please let us know as soon as possible so that we can update our records. We are currently implementing a new system to notify you about any first aid your child receives in school. There will be a letter coming out soon.

Community News

Mr Ward and Mr Lindley have only a few spaces left on their Easter Sports Camp on Thursday, 8th April, Monday, 12th April and Wednesday, 14th April. If you would like to book your child in, please contact them at multisportscamp@hotmail.com. Please do not send any money in until you have an email from them confirming the place.

