

# Spring Bulletins 2021

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2021

## Weekly Attendance

**Last week, our weekly attendance for pupils on school site was 82%**

If your child is absent for any reason, please remember to contact the school as early as possible as we have to monitor attendance very closely.

School gates are now open between 8.50am and 9am for children to arrive. It is very important that children are punctual, for health and safety regulations.

## Message from Mrs. Ducker



Dear Parents & Carers,

Following on from last week's bulletin I would like to say thank you for the consideration that has been given around sending your child into school if you are a critical worker and trying to find other solutions to support your child/children at home where possible. This has helped to reduce the numbers of children on site a little this week, it is really appreciated. As I stated last week, some of our parents who are critical workers will have no choice but to send their children to school, and we are here to support you. But I would urge you to keep your child at home if you can.

Last week staff had additional CPD on the use of TEAMS so we can continue to improve the quality of provision both for our children on site and those working remotely. Thank you for the support, feedback and hints and tips from those of you that have had previous experience of using TEAMS; it's been really helpful and supported our thinking around next steps in training.

Attached to this bulletin today is the remote learning offer we are able to give to our children at Civitas presently. As this is new we will be reviewing it regularly taking feedback from parents, children and staff to find out what is working well and how we can continue to improve.

## Children on site

Gates open at 8.50 and will close at 9.00am. Please ensure you arrive at school on time and in full school uniform. Children attending need to be collected from the playground at 3.15pm, please remember to wear your face coverings.

On the day your child/children have PE they may come to school dressed in their PE kits and may remain in this all day:

#### PE TIMETABLE - UPDATED FROM 18<sup>th</sup> JANUARY

Monday – Years 4 and 5

Tuesday – Years 1 and 2

Wednesday – Reception

Thursday – Year 3

Please take some time to read through the **Home school agreement** that was sent out and discuss it with your children reminding them of safety and behavior expectations when on site, thank you.

## Remote Learning

Thank you for all your support and feedback and we start to engage on our digital platform for remote learning Office 365 (Teams). We have staggered the timings of Teams calls to support families with siblings. These changes will start from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January:

Teams Calls	EYFS (Reception)	KS1 (Years 1 and 2)	KS2 (Years 3,4 and 5)
Morning Lessons	9.15am	9.30am	10.00am
Afternoon Feedback	3.00pm	2.45pm	2.45pm

Please remember to email your class teacher on the class email address if you have any questions or comments around the learning.

If your child is unwell and is unable to attend the live input sessions please also use your **year group email address** to inform the class teacher by **8.45am that morning**.

## Free School Meals

During this pandemic, home and financial situations may have changed for many in our community. If you feel your circumstances have changed and you may be eligible to apply for a free school meal for your child/children please click on the link and fill out the form and we will send it through for assessment.

From the 25<sup>th</sup> January the voucher scheme with Edenred will begin and the food hampers will cease. If there are any difficulties accessing your vouchers please contact the school office at [office@civitasacademy.co.uk](mailto:office@civitasacademy.co.uk)



Our wonderful Miss Frain will begin her maternity leave starting next week, her last official day 'online' will be Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January. We would all like to say thank you for all the hard work and dedication she has given the school so far and wish her and her family the very best for the new chapter in their lives. However, we will also look forward to Miss Frain returning at the end of her maternity leave, (don't rush though, and enjoy every special moment.)

Once again thank you all for hard work you are doing to 'home school' your children as well as coping with the different ways we are all managing our day to day family life.

Wishing you a happy and healthy week ahead,

Kind regards,

Salima Ducker

Executive Headteacher

## Key Dates

Date	Event Details
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	Inset Day (School closed to children)
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	Inset Day (School closed to children)
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	School Partial Opening & Remote Learning
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2021	Break up for Half Term



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