



"Together we learn to shine"

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Dear Parent and Carers,

Firstly I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you all on your commitment to remote learning. The amount and quality of the learning the children have completed is super. We know it is not easy and that all your circumstances are different but we really do appreciate the support you are providing your children with at this time.

You will have noticed that our approach this time is very different and the amount and the expectations around learning have increased. We expect all children to engage with remote learning so that they don't fall behind with their learning, however we do acknowledge that each family's home circumstances are unique and there may be factors that affect engagement with home learning.

As a school we are following the DfE guidelines which state:

- Learning must be set so that pupils have meaningful and ambitious work each day in a number of different subjects.
- Primary schools should ensure pupils have three hours' work a day, on average, for KS1 and 4 hours per day for KS2.
- Provide frequent, clear explanations of new content, delivered by a teacher or through high-quality curriculum resources or videos.
- Have systems for checking daily, whether pupils are engaging with their work, and inform parents immediately where engagement is a concern.
- Provide feedback.

From Friday we are going to be teaching some live lessons alongside the high-quality video resources we are already using. We expect children to attend these. The platform for the live lessons will be via Microsoft Teams. The activities children are expected to complete will continue to be on Class Dojo. On Friday we will try this out by each class having a live session. This will give both children and teachers the opportunity to try this new platform out. Please bear with us, this is new to us all and is a very different way of teaching.

On Friday the live lessons will be at the following times to support families with more than one child.

Class	Time
Reception	9:15
Year 1	13:30
Year 2	11:00
Year 3	14:00
Year 4	13:15
Year 5	11:30
Year 6	9:30



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I have attached a code of conduct that you should share with your child before the live lessons begin. By clicking on the link you and your child are agreeing to this code of conduct. This is essential to ensure that everyone in the lesson is kept safe and that the lesson is successful.

- 1.) Your child's class teacher will place the link to the lesson on Class Dojo 30 minutes prior to the live lesson.
- 2.) Click on the link 5 minutes before the start of the lesson.
- 3.) Choose join as guest and add the child's first name.
- 4.) Wait to be admitted into the lesson ensuring your microphone is on mute.
- 5.) At the end of the lesson click 'leave' and leave the lesson.

Next week all classes will have 3 live lessons across the week.

	9:15 am	11.00am
Monday	Reception Year 2 Year 4 Year 6	Year 1 Year 3 Year 5
Wednesday	Year 1 Year 3 Year 5	Reception Year 2 Year 4 Year 6
Friday	Reception Year 2 Year 4 Year 6	Year 1 Year 3 Year 5

Once again thank you for your continued support in these times.

Mrs Simpson