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Dear Parents and Carers,

Remote Learning

Please find our Remote Learning Offer attached to this email.

You will see our offer is in line with DfE and Ofsted guidance and recommendations and I hope you have found the learning this week supportive? As a school we have made our offer interactive and supportive to our families and aligned learning in school with learning at home. Thank you for the many messages of support and positive communication streams with class teachers via the Dojo.

Teachers and Teaching Assistants are working extremely hard to support those in school and at home and are dedicating a huge amount of their time to setting work, supporting with audio or videos and communicating with children and parents. You will note in the offer that I am asking staff to stay in contact through the Dojo between the hours of 8am and 4.30pm. That isn't to say you can't post work or ask questions outside of these hours but please be aware that you may not receive a reply until later in the day or the following day.

I know some of you are asking about live lessons and when/if we are going to be delivering them. As I have shared with governors this week, some of them parent governors, you will see from the OFSTED recommendations that live lessons are not the 'gold standard' of remote learning. This is more prominent in secondary schools, colleges and universities and I appreciate these are starting to take place in primary schools across the country, however, live lessons for primary school children will require a great deal of support from parents and carers and will reduce any flexibility to complete work at a time convenient to family circumstances.

Posting short video introductions to learning and links to websites with pre-recorded explanations and lessons will allow children and parents to understand the unit of work, watch again and refer back to if necessary, which will then be followed up with an independent activity, similar to structure for those children in school.

We do intend to set up live interaction in the near future that will allow groups or whole classes of children at home and school to meet up remotely to support social interaction and wellbeing and we will be issuing all children with a Google school email very soon. We are constantly looking at how we can improve and develop our remote learning offer in these challenging times.

If you are new to Dojo please have a look at these links below as they will support you with navigating your way around the platform.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Zc2rKPfrlacTKiKeQ_j6W_CPW5CAfTNN/view

https://classdojo.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/115004708883-How-Does-My-Child-Log-into-Their-Student-Account-at-Home-to-Post-to-Their-Portfolio-?mobile_site=false#android

Best wishes

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