



10th January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you so much for your support and patience this week while we transferred to our system for learning from home.

The work set for home learning during lockdown is the same as the curriculum our children would have been experiencing this term if they had been in school. This emphasis reflects the expectation of Government. We are very aware that many parents are continuing to work from home as well as support their children with home learning and have made some alterations to accessing plans, videos and resources in an effort to make home learning more streamlined.

Following parental feedback please be aware there are some whole school changes to minimise the number of different places and platforms families need to visit.

- A link to the planning will be posted on Seesaw/Tapestry on a Friday evening so there is time for families to read the lesson plans before Monday.
- All resources and supporting materials required for each week's plan will be posted on Seesaw/Tapestry the evening before each school day to enable families to prepare in advance if they wish. Resources will no longer be accessible on our Website.
- Video links relating to lessons will take children directly to each year group's YouTube page so children will not need to open YouTube and search for any videos.

The methods used for delivering lessons in EYFS, KS1 and KS2 are different to reflect the ages of the children.

EYFS and Key Stage One

- In EYFS and Key Stage One every English and Maths lesson will include a video of the teacher explaining the lesson and task.
- In EYFS, each day will include Maths, Writing and Phonics plus a play and learning based activity for you to join in with.
- In Key Stage One, each day will include Maths, English, spelling or phonics, Whole Class Reading, and a topic related activity plus individual reading. Most English and Maths lessons will have three elements; warm up, main task and plenary.
- PWP for Key Stage One forms part of the daily Whole Class Reading lesson.
- Each recorded video is posted to the year group YouTube channel and the links for these are available on the lesson plans or on Seesaw.
- Activities and resources will stay on Seesaw/Tapestry for two weeks, after that they will be deleted. Work your child has posted during that time is automatically saved.
- The weekly plans are designed for adults to help support their child's learning at home. The plans identify the expectation and learning outcome for each lesson.

Key Stage Two

- Each English and Maths lesson will have a video of the teacher 'teaching' the lesson in school. Most sessions will have videos to cover: warm up, main task and plenary although this number will vary from lesson to lesson. If needed there will be videos for Topic and Reading lessons as well.
- Children who are learning at home are a day behind the children at school – this allows us to record 'live' lessons in school.
- If the teacher is using the interactive whiteboard as part of the lesson, slides are saved on the day's activity for the lesson. If they have any questions to answer, they will be saved under the 'ADD RESPONSE' on the activity. Our Seesaw help video [here](#) - please do take the time to watch this.
- Each morning an activity with the day's video links will be posted on Seesaw. We film the lesson whilst we are teaching it in school.
- We aim to keep the number of activities to a minimum. All challenges can be seen when you click 'ADD RESPONSE'. Your child is free to choose the pages appropriate to them at this point.
- Activities and resources will stay on Seesaw for two weeks, after that they will be deleted. Work your child has posted during that time is automatically saved.
- Due to increased Government expectations, the daily plans are a support for parents to use rather than activities for the children. Please use these as extra guidance only, we do not expect the children to work from them. Once a routine is established, the children will go straight to Seesaw each day, find the videos and activities and work from these.
- From 25th January KS2 children will also be able to access PWP videos, they will also have spelling lessons in addition to what is already being given. We felt that due to the increase in Government expectations already we would build these in gradually.

In order to support our teachers, please find details on how to ensure you are not posting unnecessary pages onto Seesaw each day: [Seesaw Help for Parents](#)

Any queries you have about home learning should be sent via email to your child's class teacher on their class email account. These accounts are specifically for parent communication with class teachers. Teachers will respond to emails within 24 hours but if it is a quick query, they will probably be able to respond much sooner.

Do stay in touch, we welcome any feedback you may have.

Best wishes,
Miss Wakefield and Miss Turner

