

Dear parents and carers,

### Remote learning

Thank you for providing staff with the opportunity today to get up and running with mobilising the online/remote learning offer that we will be providing for all classes from reception to year six from Thursday onwards. Daily, children will be set the following lessons for our remote learning offer:

- Spellings/reading,
- English,
- Maths,
- Science, Come and see, or a foundation subject
- Physical activity or PSHE/wellbeing based activity.

Teachers will use seesaw, class dojo and tapestry as learning platforms to provide frequent, modelled explanations of learning; often with videos of themselves, or where appropriate using quality assured sites such as: Oaks Academy, White Rose Maths, NCETM and Purple Mash.

Following on from feedback from Lockdown 1, we are keen to develop the use of more video and communication with parents and we know many teachers have also discussed doing some Zoom check in sessions too. We might even manage some remote assemblies too!

Teaching remotely is not an ideal scenario for anyone, but I am confident both our staff team and parents at home will unite together to provide our children with the best education possible.

### Provision for children of critical workers and vulnerable children

Thank you also for giving us the time today to make arrangements for the provision for children of critical workers and vulnerable children. Mrs Wilson has provided those parents with all the information they need, a little earlier this afternoon. We have a much larger group than in the first lockdown – more than four times as many plus the nursery children. This is going to present quite a challenge as you can imagine!

To adhere to our COVID secure risk assessment we have combined a number of existing bubbles. Nursery and Reception classes will remain a bubble each. We are putting the children from Year 1 and Year 2 together, Year 3 and Year 4 together, and Year 5 and Year 6 together to form new bubbles. The teaching assistants that are working with them are those that work with or near those year groups currently.

	Room	AM/PM	
Reception	<b>YR</b>	AM/PM	Mrs Swarbrick and Mrs Bradley
Year 1	<b>Y2</b>	AM	Mrs Garrett and Mrs Kay
Year 2		PM	Mrs Grayken and Mrs Kay
Year 3	<b>Y3</b>	AM	Mrs McGeown and Mrs Owsianska/ Mrs Oldham
Year 4		PM	Mrs Root and Mrs Owsianska/ Mrs Oldham
Year 5	<b>Y5</b>	AM	Mrs St John and Mrs Ash
Year 6		PM	Mrs Blackwell and Mrs Ash

Children who attend school must come in school uniform as they normally would. During this lockdown, there is not going to be a dedicated PE day so there will not be a time when they are required to come in PE kit.

### **Breakfast / After School Club**

There is a demand for Breakfast Club and After School Club but it is obviously, much reduced. We are going to provide that service but we will have to monitor closely over the next week or so; they may need to be suspended, if they become financially unviable.

### **Thanks**

We would to thank: our school support staff for working at lunchtimes, keeping the school spotless and cooking the meals, our teaching assistants for agreeing to lead the bubbles, the teachers for preparing so well and for once again facilitating the remote learning, Mrs Wilson for gathering all the information today and processing it so rapidly. And finally, thank you the parents and carers for resuming that very difficult task of supporting home learning. Good luck!

Thank you again for your support.

Mrs Nicklin and Mr Smyth