Enquiring Minds for Inspiring Futures



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Class closures - Monday 24th - Wednesday 26th January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Due to continued extremely high staff absence due to COVID-19 (55% of teaching staff), there will be a need to impose further class closures for next week as follows:

Monday 24th January: Nursery, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 will be CLOSED

Tuesday 25th January: Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 will be CLOSED

Wednesday 26th January: Year 6 will be CLOSED

Pupils should not attend school on these days but should continue to undertake **remote learning which will be set on Microsoft Teams and the <u>You Tube Channel</u></u>. Pupils in Key Stage 2 should do a minimum of 4 hours learning a day (some on the screen and some on paper and reading). Additional resources identified below.**

Devices: if your child does not have access to a device and you do not receive a text inviting you in to sign one out (ie. Your child has already identified themselves) then please contact the school.

Additional remote learning resources include:

Reading

Accelerated Reader https://ukhosted11.renlearn.co.uk/2232454/
PiXL Vocab App https://vocab.pixl.org.uk/Vocabulary.html
Reading Eggs (only if your chid has an account) https://readingeggs.co.uk/

Writing

Spelling Shed - https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/
Pobble 365 (writing activities) http://www.pobble365.com/

Maths

PiXL Times Tables https://timestable.pixl.org.uk/Timestables.html
Times Table Rockstars https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth
Video tutorials: Khan Academy https://www.khanacademy.org/
My maths - https://www.mymaths.co.uk/

Wider Curriculum

<u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize</u> - Catch up from Summer Term and Autumn term activities
<u>https://classroom.thenational.academy/</u> - Lesson activities across the curriculum for the children to complete

Wellbeing and Mindfulness

GoNoodle: https://www.gonoodle.com/

Yoga for Kids: https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga



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Exercise

Expectations: Two times a day to do some form of exercise and movement

Links: Youtube – Just dance

As COVID 19 has had a significant impact on all children's education over the past two years it is vital your child completes the work provided. We will be asking for evidence through your child's isolation period of work being completed at home. This can be done by emailing your child's teacher at yearA@thepalmeracademy.com (e.g. Year6@thepalmeracademy.com) or completing the online learning. Pupils can also access learning and resources via Microsoft Teams.

I can assure you this decision has not been taken likely but is unavoidable. Thank you for your support and understanding – we are doing all we can to prevent closures but with such high absence we are unable to provide high quality education and ensure the safety of all children.

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