

Trinity St Stephen CE Aided First School

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the new term. We are all saddened by the current situation; the stories of rising numbers of Coronavirus as well as the extremely challenging situations in our hospitals. Let us all hope that a commitment by all of us to the lock down will have a positive effect on this very gloomy picture.

We all appreciate that, for most of you, home education is not easy. Personally, I can only imagine the stress of working hard in your own job as well as attempting to teach, particularly as first school pupils generally need support with their learning. Please do take the time to reflect on the positives of the day. We are here to help and provide appropriate resources. If you are not able to complete the amount of work, choosing a task and doing it well followed by a walk or some creative activity will be better than doggedly sticking to the suggestions and having a stressed and anxious child at the end of it – never mind what you as parents may be feeling!

Over this week we have provided a slightly lighter menu of learning opportunities. From Monday we will be stepping the provision up a little and including the Zoom sessions. Due to unavoidable circumstances the Year 2 Zoom times have had to change, but the timetable should remain static from now on. Please see the revised timetable below. I am investigating the option of recording teaching sessions which will then be sent to the year groups for use at alternative times. I would strongly recommend that where possible your child attends the live session as they will be able to actively participate. Hopefully the recorded version will be a good option if not. This weeks sessions will be as advertised on the timetable and will not be recorded, hopefully next week we will be able to offer greater flexibility.

The remote learning will follow the same format for all year groups. There will be a weekly overview document. This provides you with a summary of the learning and expectations for the week. Under this overview there will be the presentations and documents required to complete the learning. Please feel free to adjust if necessary. All documents will be named with the year group, suggested day and subject, but please feel free to adapt the week as you see fit. It really won't be a problem if you are doing Tuesday's maths on Wednesday! From the week beginning 18 January all learning for the week will be available on the previous Friday, allowing parents to look over learning for the following week in advance.

We have offered school places for children whose parents are critical workers or who fall into one of the vulnerable categories. The school has been open from Wednesday for these children. If you feel you are eligible and haven't contacted us already, please let the school office know. Please note the guidance recently published by the government asks that ALL parents keep their children at home, where possible.





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• Schools should speak to parents and carers to identify who needs to go to school. If it proves necessary, schools can ask for simple evidence that the parent in question is a critical worker, such as their work ID badge or pay slip. Parents and carers who are critical workers should keep their children at home if they can.

(Restricting Attendance during the National Lockdown: Schools January 2021)

The school team continues to work hard to support the education of all. Please contact your class teacher if you have any difficulties or concerns. The school office is being manned during school hours and Mrs Gilmour and Mrs Jones will be available to answer queries.

Kind regards,

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Zoom Timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:30 Year 1 (Phonics)	9:30 Reception (Phonics)	9:30 Year 1 (Phonics)	9:30 Reception (Wellbeing)	
10:30 Year 3 (SPAG)	10:30 Year 4 (SPAG)	10:30 Year 4 (Wellbeing)	10:30 Year 3 (SPAG)	
				10:00 ALL (Whole School PSHE Assembly)
11:00 Year 2 (Phonics)	11:45 Year 2 (Phonics)	11:45 Year 2 (Phonics)	11:00 Year 2 (Well-being)	
1:15 Reception (Phonics)	1:15 Year 1 (Phonics)	1:15 Reception (Phonics)	1:15 Year 1 (Well-being)	
			1:45 ALL (Rev Sally Assembly)	
2:15 Year 4 (SPAG)	2:15 Year 3 (SPAG)	2:15 Year 3 (Well-being)	2:15 Year 4 (SPAG)	

