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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your ongoing support and things have been very busy in school since our expansion of provision (we have already been open for key worker children) to accommodate those Year 6 children choosing to return.

Home learning: School systems, staffing and timetabling have been an ongoing challenge and at the moment we are able to accommodate the online learning of Years 3, 4 and 5 whilst the second year group teacher is utilised to teach the small groups of year 6 and the key worker children whilst this online provision and planning continues. This does however limit the amount that teachers can respond to submitted tasks. We would therefore advise that submission of tasks continues but that the checking and responding to those pieces cannot be guaranteed – as now only one teacher is available for monitoring the home learning children.

The online provision remains as tasks for reading, writing, spelling, maths, a topic piece, one hive game, and a weekly topic challenge. As usual the online platforms remain available for Spelling Shed, Times Table Rock Stars and Mathletics. All of which include games and tasks to extend, practice and challenge learning at home. Most of the tasks set can be completed offline once they have been understood.

Year 6 at home: The Year 6 teachers have kindly put online their plans for the Year 6 and the same work is being completed in school, as can be completed at home. There is a lot set (covering a two week period) and the children are encouraged to complete some, but not all of the activities – dipping into and choosing from the tasks accordingly.

Government Updates: These come out to schools daily. If you would like more detail on what information the Department for Education (DfE) have sent out for parents, the latest link is here.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers>

We are not consulted or warned by the government before any national announcements regarding education so please do not contact the school for any additional insights beyond what you see on the news. Keep an eye on the BBC news and direct government updates for updates that are reliable. The first you hear of it from the government will be the first time we know of it.



We have had excellent feedback from parents still and that is great to receive. In addition, some parents have questioned the choice of the returning years and we are following government guidelines so please feel free to write to your local MP to express your concerns about the school provision. I have already done so to explain the obvious difficulties facing us as we are essentially now full up within the guidelines set – all classes in school but one are now full (within the government stipulations set of no more than 15 children per class).

Ongoing safeguarding and hygiene in the school is in place and we are ensuring social distancing as much as possible. Staff are keeping socially distanced from the children and each other and the extra measures we have taken are detailed in in the Risk Assessment document that is available for viewing on the school website. It can be found at via this link:

<https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/our-school/covid-procedures>

If you are bringing your child into school or collecting your child currently, please ensure only one parent is with them, wait on the marks set out in the queue and please leave the school area as soon as possible. No visitors are currently allowed in school so please do not come to the main office to speak to the office staff – just email or call the school.

We have spent a significant amount of school funds on additional resources, cleaning materials, additional cleaning and extra hygiene items such as further bins, bags and paper towel dispensers. The roller towels have been removed and this system replaced. Sanitiser and soap dispensers have been placed in all rooms and areas around the school.

Keeping Active: Active Surrey has produced some great home activity ideas – please use this link for more details: <http://www.activesurrey.com/get-started/home-school-families>

Thank you: Just to say thank you for all your efforts at home and for engaging your children in home learning. The teachers are still committed to ensuring the children have plenty to do at home and the lockdown, although easing, still remains a tough thing to deal with as the weeks go on. Thank you again for your support and ongoing efforts. I hope you remain well and safe.

Kind regards

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