

Dear Parents/Carers,

We appreciate this is a difficult time for you and your family, and we are endeavouring to do all we can to support you and your child at home. In this letter we will outline the expectations for you and your child with regards to educating them at home. All children are now expected to complete a minimum of 3 hours remote learning each day. This is an increased expectation from last time, in line with government guidance. We would like to stress the importance of maintaining their education and therefore we have set out expectations for your child to complete and submit work daily with your support. The lessons will be a mixture of watching videos of teachers in their year team, whiteboard work, practical activities, filling out sheets and completing activities in their work book. (This will be provided in your resource pack). Each year group will have an allocated teacher who will upload the teaching videos and resources. They will introduce themselves in an 'All about Me' video which will be shared on Monday.

All pupils will be receiving the same blended learning curriculum whether they are in school or working remotely from home.

Suggested timetable

We appreciate you will be trying to juggle school work with your own personal circumstances so we have given you a suggested daily timetable which mirrors what the children will be doing in school. Please complete the lessons, however feel free to adapt it to make it work for you as a family. A typical day may be a short phonics lesson, an English and maths lesson and activity, reading on Rising Stars, daily physical activity and an extra-curricular task. We have chosen to pre-record our live teaching videos to allow you the flexibility of your home working arrangements. Due to the age of our children, we believe this way will best support their education.



Google Classroom

You would have received your login details last half term and we have re-sent this to you via Marvellous Me this week. It is vital you are familiar with this because all work will be uploaded onto google classrooms on a daily basis. The work will be uploaded the evening before so, if you would like to prepare or get yourselves familiar with the activities you have the opportunity to do so. The work needed for Monday will be uploaded on a Friday. Lots of the work can be done practically, on whiteboards or in their work book. However, on the timetable for each year group there will be one activity each day which will expect to be submitted. This can be typed or photographed depending on the activity. Please ensure work is submitted by 3:00pm each day and your child will receive feedback by the following morning. If work is submitted after this time, your child will still receive feedback but it will not be guaranteed by the next morning. Each day your child's class teacher will be available from 10.30am until 11:00am via Google Classroom to answer any questions you may have about the tasks that have been set. All critical worker children requiring a place at school on a part time basis, will follow this on the days they are not in school.



Daily story time

As best as you can we would really appreciate it if all children could participate in the daily class story as this will be with their class teacher and an opportunity to see their classmates each day. In this session it is a great opportunity for your child to continue to develop their love of reading and to feel part of their class community. This will give you a chance to have a well-deserved moment of calm! This will take place at 12:00 each day, however if you do on the odd occasion miss the story, we will record it so your child can enjoy it at another point in the day.



Weekly live Music with Mrs Clark

Each week Mrs Clark will be doing a live music session with every class in the school. This will be another opportunity for the children to see their class mates and in addition continue to develop their love of music. This will take place every Friday and the time will be shared each week via Google Classrooms.



Marvellous me and weekly phone calls

Your child will receive regular messages from their teachers in school. This will be on a Monday from their year leader, Wednesday from their class teacher and Friday from a member of the senior leadership team. We hope this will help to motivate your child at home and remind them we are thinking of them and we are very proud of their achievements. In addition to this, a member of the school team will ring you each week to check in with how things are going at home, ready to offer any further support.



Rising Stars

Please continue to read regularly with your child using Rising Stars. Your child's class teacher has signposted the next colour books for them once they have finished all their current books and you feel they are ready for the next challenge. Please remember to re-read the book again to help build their fluency and comprehension.



Resource pack

Each child has a resource pack which will support their learning with their reading, writing and mathematics tasks. These can be collected from the allocated pick up points which we have shared in the Weekly Comms and Fosis are supporting us with this.



Thank you so much for all your hard work and commitment throughout these unprecedented times. We know at times this might be challenging, however we will get through it together.

Thank you for your continued support,

Cate Gregory, Laura Watts, Sarah Nutbeam and Hannah Lubbock- Smith

