

8<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for your continued patience, resilience and perseverance this week with regards to all the changes that have been made. We appreciate that for most of you, going back to home learning again was not part of the plan for the beginning of 2021!

Your child's class teacher would love to see the home learning your child(ren) have completed this week. Please email them directly, sharing which subjects or activities you have enjoyed or found more challenging.

From Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January, we will be adapting our remote learning offer and setting learning via Office 365. We have sent out pupil login details to most children already and we are hoping to send out the remaining few today. We will be using this platform to share the remote timetables for the week, share resources and set calendar invites to live lessons. There is also a chat function for the children to use to speak with their teacher or others in the class.

We appreciate that this can be a big challenge if this is not a system that you have used before and we really appreciate the effort and perseverance that families have shown in understanding how this works. We will continue to add weekly timetables and resources to the home learning section of the website too as we transition over to Office 365.

Please see below for two links to support if you are still unsure about some of the elements available for you to use.

<https://support.microsoft.com/en-gb/office/distance-learning-with-microsoft-365-guidance-for-parents-and-guardians-89d514f9-bf5e-4374-a731-a75d38ddd588>

<https://support.microsoft.com/en-gb/office/remote-learning-with-office-365-for-students-eea3ee92-ba42-4217-90d4-155f9a5477e4>

Further YouTube videos below can also support access to different areas here.

Accessing and submitting work on to TEAMS through a laptop <https://t.co/YoSR2gfje9?amp=1>

Accessing and submitting work on to TEAMS through a tablet

<https://t.co/Yvv606QMob?amp=1>

Accessing and submitting work on to TEAMS through a phone

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GDxh\\_xTNkWk&feature=emb\\_title](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GDxh_xTNkWk&feature=emb_title)

Below is an outline of the work that children should expect to see available to them each week. We want to continue to engage with our children as much as possible and support where needed. We are aiming for daily live lessons to be included in this offer, as well as independent work. We will continue to print paper packs of the work on a Friday for the following week.

## **Home Learning Requirements – Our commitment to your child from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

We are making this commitment to your child and their education whilst the school is partially closed. If at any point, you are unsure of the work that your child is completing, or have any further questions, please contact myself or the class teacher for support.

- ✓ Home learning will match national curriculum requirements. It will closely match the learning taking place in school.
- ✓ Your child will be presented with a minimum of 4 lessons per day, plus independent learning tasks including TT Rockstars, Spellzone and reading for pleasure.
- ✓ As a minimum, maths lessons will include a short video from White Rose maths followed by a daily activity to complete. If you collected a learning pack from school this week, you will also be able to access an additional White Rose booklet full of activity sheets. These tasks match some of the learning from the Autumn term and can be completed independently in addition to the daily task set.
- ✓ English lessons will either be a live lesson, or a pre-recorded lesson on PowerPoint with a voice over from the teacher. This will support the children with understanding the concept being taught and give guidance on the tasks set.
- ✓ Your child will be provided with additional curriculum tasks for the week. These may be video links using the Oak National Academy or BBC bitesize with tasks incorporated into it, or a separate, practical task.
- ✓ Online lessons will be provided by a teacher within your child's year group.
- ✓ Your child will be provided with at least one live session with their own class teacher each week. These sessions will enable the class to meet with each other, to discuss the learning from the week and to continue to learn from each other as a class community.
- ✓ Your child will be sent a weekly assembly video and task via Teams.
- ✓ The class teachers will provide feedback on the learning that has been submitted from the previous day. Depending on how the learning is submitted, this may be a written comment via email, or whole class verbal feedback in the lesson on the following day.

### **The commitment we expect from the families of St. Peter's CE Primary:**

- ✓ That children submit their completed work via email or TEAMS to be reviewed each day. If this is not possible, the class teacher must be notified.
- ✓ That children attend all live sessions that are set up for them where possible. A register will be taken and attendance will be recorded daily. If this is not possible, your child will need to watch the recording afterwards and complete the task afterwards.
- ✓ If your child is unwell, the school is notified through the normal channels in the morning.
- ✓ Parents/carers or children share any worries or concerns with the school so that we can support you directly.



## Wellbeing

The most important thing is that your child feels safe and happy. If at any point you become concerned with your child's wellbeing or their education and progress, please notify Mrs Jones, the Pastoral Officer or myself via email and we will provide support where possible.

Weekly welfare checks will begin from next week to check in with families for an update on their wellbeing and progress in the home learning. These checks may be via email or a phone call from one of our staff team.

## Reading books

Reading books can be changed after school on a daily basis, between 3:00 – 4:00pm. If your child reads from the reading scheme (stage books), you will be able to pop into school to swap them over if you wish.

If your child is a free reader, access to the school library will also be available during the same time. A member of staff will be on the school gates to direct you where to collect them from. If the gates are closed, please buzz the intercom.

## Resources

We also have a limited amount of stationery available for families who may need them (pencil, ruler, rubber etc.) Please contact the office with your requirements.

If you have any further questions at this time, please do not hesitate to email me at [jcasswell@stpetersschoolraunds.co.uk](mailto:jcasswell@stpetersschoolraunds.co.uk).

Kind regards,

*Mrs Julie Casswell*

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Principal