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Dear Parents and Carers

Distance Learning – information for parents

I hope that the first two days of distance learning have gone well and that the children are starting to get into the rhythm of things?

I wanted to write to go through a few things to signpost you to support should you need. I know the teachers are also keeping you well-informed via Class Dojo too.

Routine

We know that children thrive off routine and no doubt you will have already established the routines that work for your households. It has been lovely to even see some children dressed in their school uniform ready for school each day! Wherever possible, try to keep to a routine for your child. The weekly timetable will hopefully help you with that.

Devices

If you do not have a device for your child/ren at home and you are unable to access the distance learning, please let the school know. We will do whatever we can to loan a device to you.

Acceptable Use Documents

We have created two Acceptable Use Documents that we would like you to read and sign. This <u>Google Form</u> helps to set out the expectations between home and school with using the two platforms. Thank you in advance for reading and accepting the documents quickly.

Logins

If you can't remember the logins to Class Dojo, Mathletics, Times Tables Rock Stars or Lexia (you will already know if your child has access to this programme) please let your class teacher or Mrs Andrews know and we will get the logins sent out to you.

Learning Packs

We have received our maths booklets from the printers and we are also gathering the children's spelling books (KS2) to create learning packs that will help you with the distance learning. **We will let you know when these will be ready to collect**. If your child has run out of space in their exercise book, we will have spare books for you to take when you collect the learning pack. Please ask your child to collate their learning in the book rather than on various bits of paper as we want to have these books as a record of the learning that has been completed at home.

Reading Books

Teachers are in the process of getting a selection of reading books ready to go into the learning pack. We will also be signposting you to some other great websites where you can readily access books online should your child run out of books to read.

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Daily check-in

Throughout this lockdown, we are going to trial a daily check-in with your child's class teacher and the class via Microsoft Teams. This will give your child an opportunity to see friendly faces and find out how everyone else is doing. The teachers have met this afternoon to discuss timings for these as we don't want two meetings to be happening at the same time due to device usage. The teachers will send out more information via Class Dojo when they have finalised these daily (optional) Teams meetings.

National Lockdown Remote Learning Contingency Plan

We have adapted our remote learning plan to support our children through this period of National Lockdown. A copy of the remote learning plan has been added to our website and will also be attached to the email containing this letter. We hope you find this useful to share with you the school's expectations as well as show ways in which we can support you at home. Unlike the first lockdown, there will be new learning taking place each day. The curriculum that had been planned in school for this term has moved online, so there will be direct teaching points for your child to watch / listen to / learn.

Wellbeing support

We don't underestimate the enormity of what you are all being asked to do at present. Trying to juggle distance learning alongside careers is an enormous challenge. If you are struggling or you would just like to talk to someone in school, please reach out to us. We will support you and your child/ren however we can.

Thank you in advance for your unwavering support at this challenging time.

Yours Sincerely

Miss Lock