



Church Hill Infant School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: Remote Home Learning

It remains very important for our children to attend school, to support their wellbeing and education and help working parents and guardians. Senior clinicians still advise that school is the best place for children to be, and so they should continue to come during the National Lockdown. At Church Hill Infants we have implemented a range of protective measures to make our children safe. However, we also need to be mindful that positive cases are rising and there may be a time that your child's bubble will have to access our remote learning provision. This letter provides useful information about our remote learning provision.

When will my child need to learn from home?

- If there is a confirmed case of coronavirus in your child's bubble and we have been advised to **close the bubble** for a period of 14 days
- If there's a **local lockdown** and the school is advised to partially close
- If we have to close due to no availability of staff (We will try our best to mitigate this!)

What's my child expected to do?



We will continue to use our Remote Learning platform, **Seesaw** during all of the above scenarios and will provide work in a variety of ways. Please ensure you have logged onto seesaw and if you are having difficulty contact the school office through our Studybugs messaging service

This may take the form of pre-recorded videos, worksheets and physical activities.



We will also provide daily live catch-up and feedback sessions to children. These will take the form of at least one short video call each day to have face to face time with pupils and are outlined in the timetable below. The live sessions will be via Microsoft teams, you will be sent an invite to these sessions every morning.

Please ensure you have downloaded Microsoft Teams APP on the device you wish to use for remote learning. (This is the same APP we used for parents' evening)

The following guidelines cover our ideal expectations of what we'd like your child to do while learning remotely, and how we plan to support you and them.



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Registration Number 08168237

- Children need to be ready to start at 8.45am and should be dressed appropriately for the day e.g. no pyjamas. Ideally they should be seated at a table with as few distractions as possible.
- Each day we would like your child to complete learning in **phonics, reading, writing, maths** and **topic**. This will be made available at 9am each morning on seesaw.
- Parents will be able to use the 'post student work' tool on seesaw to send photos and examples of children's work.
- Any written work should be completed in the exercise book that has already been sent home with your child. Please ensure that the date is written clearly at the top of each piece of work.
- In order to complete activities children may need to have available a pencil, rubber, crayons, scissors and a glue stick.
- Teachers and Learning Assistants will respond to work between 9am and 4.30pm using seesaw. Any work uploaded after 4.30pm will be responded to the following day.

Time	Activity
8.45am	Virtual Register/run through of the day and direction to activities on seesaw using Microsoft Teams
9.00am	Work for the day is assigned on seesaw.
9.00am – 3.00pm	Work to be completed throughout the day and uploaded to seesaw. Teachers and Teaching Assistants to respond to work.
3.00pm	Live Class story and/or celebration of work and achievements. (On selected days) or Pre-recorded class story
4.30pm	Any work uploaded after this time will be responded to the following day.

- It's important that your child engages with remote learning and the regular face to face sessions provided by the school.
- If children are logged as absent during the daily register this will be referred to our school admin staff and followed up with a phone call.
- In the case that children don't engage with the learning set on seesaw the teacher will phone home and offer support with the aim of finding a solution.
- If at any time you are having difficulty accessing the remote learning please contact the school.

What can I do to help my child?

Create a positive environment for your child to learn at home, for example:

- **Distinguish between weekdays and weekends**, to separate school life and home life
- **Designate a working space if possible**, and at the end of the day have a clear cut-off to signal school time is over
- **Create and stick to a routine**, as this is what your child is used to at school. For example, eat breakfast at the same time each morning and make sure they're dressed before starting the 'school' day
- **Stick a timetable up on the wall** so everyone knows what they should be doing when, and tick activities off throughout the day
- **Make time for exercise and breaks** throughout the day to keep your child active





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What if my child is self-isolating because there has been a confirmed case within the family or with a close contact?

In the event that your child has to self-isolate due to a family member or close contact having a confirmed case of coronavirus but the child is not displaying any symptoms. The school will continue to provide learning via seesaw and this will come in the form of an **isolation pack**. This will be assigned on the first day of isolation and has work to last the isolation period. Once again, feedback will be provided by the class teacher or learning assistant on seesaw. Please be aware that in this instance class teachers and learning assistants will still be in the classroom teaching so feedback on work may take longer.

What next?

If we have to close a bubble we will contact parents as soon as possible, we will then switch to remote learning for all children in that bubble. If your child is unwell at any time during the period of remote learning please let us know via Studybugs and we would ask that children rest and recuperate before resuming remote learning.

Please follow the link [here](#) to read and agree to our Remote Learning Agreement and to view our full Remote Learning Policy please visit our website.

Please be aware we will be **unable** to invite your child to any live sessions until you have consented to the Remote Learning Agreement.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Balsara
Headteacher

