



## Head of School Update 05.01.2021

Day 1 of national lockdown nearly complete. We have been working hard in school getting ready for providing your children with remote learning starting from tomorrow. I have set out some details below about the remote learning procedures and also further information for the children who are still accessing provision within school.

In the morning, any child who is allocated a key worker place and we have spoken to will be put into a year group team. Please arrive at 8:40 at the following entrance (please note, this is likely to have differed from today!):

Nursery/ Foundation - South Parade entrance into Foundation Unit  
Year 1 - Mrs Bailey's entrance into Year 1 provision area  
Year 2 - Miss Simpson's door  
Year 3/4 - Miss Ramsden's door  
Year 5 - Mrs Evans' door  
Year 6 - Mrs Ainley's door

The children will be remaining in these bases throughout the day and there will be allocated staff within their team who will be allocated to that base. Your child will need collecting from the same door at 3:00 on an afternoon.

If your child is currently accessing wraparound care provision, we will be providing wraparound care from 8:00 in a morning and then until 4:00 on an afternoon. This will be IN the children's bases NOT down in the hall etc. The school gates will be open and you will need to bring your child round to their allocated classroom door from 8:00. Unfortunately, due to staffing ratios, we are unable to provide our usual 7:30 breakfast club service. After school club will take place from 3:00 - 4:00 in the same base. Please pick your children up from their allocated base before 4:00 on an afternoon. We have sent further information to the relevant parents regarding costings and further details.

If you are claiming Free School Meals, you will shortly be receiving instructions to download a supermarket voucher as you did during the Christmas holidays so please look out for this via email or your usual messenger service.

Remote learning: a teacher within your child's phase will be in touch tomorrow with lots of information and activities which will be put on your child's Dojo portfolio or Tapestry profile (for Foundation children). We will also be sending out our remote learning expectations tomorrow which will give you much more detail about the expectations placed on your children during the period of national lockdown. The work set will total a minimum of 3 hours per day and will be focused on a mixture of reading, writing, mathematics and wider curriculum tasks. Please ensure that you stress the importance of completing these tasks to the best of your child's ability and get in touch with your child's class teacher if you are

having any issues or have any comments. It is also important that you like or comment on messages so we know that you, as a family, have received and read them. All children have been shown how to access their Class Dojo portfolio but, for obvious reasons, our youngest children in foundation will need support with the tapestry profile.

Staff will also be sending out parent factfiles which will supplement subjects and topics, giving you examples of further study, websites, key vocabulary and other information so your child can extend their learning further.

New bubbles advice: if your child is in school, they will now inevitably be placed into a new bubble of children. This will mainly consist of similar children to before the lockdown but the rules for bubble closures still apply. This means that if we have positive COVID tests within the bubble, we will still expect to close that bubble for a period of 10 days isolation and would expect parents to comply with this and arrange for their child to isolate in line with government instruction.

Please keep checking your Dojo and Tapestry accounts as well as our website and our MyEd app as these are the quickest and main ways in which we can get messages out. As always, if you have any further questions, please get in touch with your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Thanks for your continued support as always.