Remote Learning Information for parents

Dear Parents/Carers,

Below is some information about remote learning in the event that your child needs to isolate as a result of COVID-19.

What is Remote Learning? When will it be available?

Remote learning is.......Remote Learning access will only become available once there is a need, meaning a pupil (or pupils) in a year group have been instructed to isolate at home for an extended period as a result of a coronavirus situation. Teaching staff will need a working day to enable them to prepare materials.

We have designed Remote Learning to be closely aligned to in-school provision with access to resources that provide both an explanation of the learning and an activity for them to complete. A PDF overview of the week will be posted on Class Dojo, as the first document, with hyperlinked materials. Nothing will require printing – activities will be able to be completed in books provided by the school. All they will need is access to adult support, a quiet space, something to lean on, a pencil ,ruler and some coloured pencils. This means that you can see these via a smartphone if this is your own digital source.

How do I communicate with my child's teacher?

Use your Class Dojo account to communicate and keep in contact with your child's teacher. If you haven't yet set this up, you will need to do so. Your child's teacher can help with this. Sometimes children will need feedback from the class teacher so their work may need to be photographed and uploaded to Class Dojo. This will enable staff to support and review your child's progress and give direct feedback where necessary and appropriate and in a way that is manageable. This can all be done via Class Dojo – no work is to be brought in on paper.

What to do if you don't have any access to the Remote Learning via a smartphone, tablet or PC/laptop:

A smartphone should be enough to access the Remote Learning materials. If you don't have any digital means, you'll need to arrange for someone who is not isolating to collect paper materials via the school office at the start of the first period of absence/isolation and then again the following week. In the interests of health and safety, those picking up materials must not make any more than 1 visit to school per week. This option should only be used if no alternative digital means are available. Please note that nobody should enter the school site if displaying any symptoms of COVID-19 or if awaiting a test. Staff will need at least one working day to arrange paper copies of some of the activities and you will be telephoned / messaged when they are ready.

Completed activities should be returned to school with your child when the isolation period is up and these will need to be quarantined for a few days before your child's teacher will review the work. Teachers will provide feedback to your child once they have returned to school.

If you experience any difficulties with the home activities, and have no digital means of communication via Class Dojo, please call the office and the teacher will return your call as soon as they are reasonably able to do so, once they are not teaching. They will then be able to advise on teaching/learning and support with any issues your child may be having.

If you have any questions/queries at all, please do not hesitate to contact your teacher.