



Wednesday 13th January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all keeping safe and coping as well as you can with the current situation; I fully understand the difficulties this lockdown brings, please remember that as a school, we are here to support you if you need anything.

Remote Learning

I wanted to give you an update on a few aspects of remote learning that are evolving as we continue to improve our provision for our pupils who are currently at home.

- From the week beginning 18 January, staff will begin to provide pre-recorded teaching clips which will explain and introduce one aspect of English and one aspect of Maths each week initially. We hope that by the teacher explaining the activities, this will help engage pupils and support parents further.
- Staff are also looking to utilise high-quality video clips online to support remote learning at home.
- Teachers are working incredibly hard to balance teaching in school, phoning families from home, holding online meetings and creating work packs. Next week's work packs will be emailed home on Friday afternoon, giving parents more time to print and collate them.
- If you require your work pack printed, please inform the school, **no later than 12 noon on Thursday**. These packs will be ready for collection from 8.15am on Monday 18 January from outside the school office.
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Devices and internet access

If you do not have a device at home which can access the internet, please contact the school office or your child's class teacher and we will do all we can to support you.

If you are using mobile data to access the internet for your child's learning and you find that you run out, please again contact the school as some mobile providers are offering more data and we can apply for this on your behalf. We also have a limited number of 'data only' sim cards which provide 30GB of data over 90 days courtesy of Vodaphone.

Reading books

Reading is such a key skill for children to acquire and master; it plays such an important role in their school life and also their adult life. With this in mind, we have decided to offer a book changing time each week for each year group. From Monday 18th January, each year group will be designated a time when they can come to school and swap their child's current reading book. It is essential that our books are looked after and kept safe as we are not able to replace the lovely libraries that we have. On your specified day, there will be two boxes outside of the school office. One box will be labelled 'Returns' for

books coming back into school – these will then be quarantined ahead of be made available the following week. The other will contain suitable books for your child's age range. Please only take one book so that there are enough for families who need them. During these times, please continue to wear a face covering when on the school site, maintain a 2m distance from other people and use the provided hand sanitiser before taking a new book.

Reception:	Tuesday 19th 10-11am
Year 1:	Tuesday 19th 1-2pm
Year 2:	Wednesday 20th 10-11am
Year 3:	Wednesday 20th 1-2pm
Year 4:	Thursday 21st 10-11am

Twitter

We are using the school's Twitter page to share further activities and suggestions for things to do at home which are additional to our remote learning provision. If you are already a Twitter user, our page is called: @KingfisherYeo or it can be found at: <https://twitter.com/KingfisherYeo>

Please feel free to share any work or activities that your children are doing on our Twitter page and tag us so that we can see what you have been up to.

Assemblies

Thank you to those who joined me for assemblies this week, it was great to see so many children there and to hear about the things they got for Christmas and also the brilliant work they have been doing at home. A new invite will be sent out this week ahead of Monday. If you would like to email the school office, any photos of the work or activities that your child has completed at home, I will endeavour to share them during the assemblies next week. When emailing, please state your child's name and year group and ensure photos arrive by 12 noon on Friday each week.

If there is anything that the school can do to assist you during this difficult time, then please do not hesitate to contact the school office and we will do all we can to help you.

With the best of wishes,

Mr Daniel Glentworth
Head teacher