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Dear Parent/Carer

Following the announcement that all schools will move to remote learning until February half term, I would like to advise you how this will work in our school. The 2nd strain of COVID is highly contagious and we are seeing more cases in the school community. The majority of children will be learning from home. Only those children eligible to attend school and for whom it is absolutely necessary, are able to have a place in school over the coming weeks.

Remote Learning

The majority of our home learning will be set via Oak Academy. A link to this is available on our website, together with additional learning materials for all children. If you do not have access to the internet or an electronic device, a paper learning pack can be picked up from the school office. A new learning pack will be available each week for Years 1 & 2 and fortnightly for Early Years. Please ensure your child completes all tasks as this learning will, in turn, be used to help assess your child. Work can be collated and handed into the school office, with your child's name, either periodically or when we come out of lockdown.

Virtual Learning Agreement

Our Virtual Learning Agreement aims to ensure the quality of remote learning reflects the quality of learning in school. Our key aspects are:

- ❖ Provision for pupils with Special Educational needs will provide support and resources for parents and ensure lesson are sufficiently challenging
- ❖ The requirement for reading development to be a daily key focus for remote learning
- ❖ Maximise all opportunities to provide marking, feedback and support are in place via phone calls home, emails and hardcopy marking and feedback

A copy of our Virtual Learning Agreement is available to read on our website.

Food Parcels / Voucher Scheme

Food parcels will be available next week, week commencing 18th January to those who have requested one. Parcels will be ready to collect on Monday 18th January during the afternoon. If you are isolating and cannot collect your food parcel, please contact the school office.

The lunch voucher scheme will replace food parcels from Monday 25th. Please ensure to check your emails for a message from EdenRed, who are the company providing this service.

Attending School Site

Please make sure you wear a mask on site at all times. We would ask that you provide your own mask as the school stock of such equipment is limited.

Nursery Open

The government has instructed all Nurseries to remain open during this period of lockdown. Therefore, our Nursery remains open. We have been contacting parents to find out if they wish for their child to attend. Many parents are understandably anxious and have currently decided to keep their children at home. If these parents change their mind in the future, please call the school office on 01255 421168 to arrange readmission.

Lock-Down End

At present we have been directed to undertake remote learning until February half term. If there are any changes to these dates or when the Government give us the direction to re-open, we will send a text out with details of how this will be implemented.

Advice for Parents during Coronavirus

I have also placed a document titled, Advice for parents during coronavirus, on our school website, which provides you with support and advice during this time of pandemic. I encourage all parents to become familiar with this document and hard copies are also available from the school office

I do hope you are staying safe. Our staff are here to support you and your child during this time, whether your child is attending school or working from home. Please do speak to us if you require any support or have any questions.

Yours sincerely

Mrs K Maguire-Egan
Head Teacher
