

## **The Cambridge Primary School**

### **Remote Learning – National Lockdown 3.0**

Firstly, I would like to say thank you. I think I speak on behalf of everyone when I say that another national lockdown, leading to partial school closures is not something any of us want, but we understand it is what we need to do in tackling the spread of the virus and, hopefully, beating Coronavirus once and for all. Last night's, late, announcement brought a mixture of emotions for many of us, and many of you face the prospect of juggling working from home and remote learning. On behalf of the school, thank you for what you are doing.

In March 2020, when the first Lockdown began, we did our best to find our way through a new form of learning. We were not clear as to how long children would be out of school and the longer term impact. We have learnt a lot from this and from the single bubble closure we had in the autumn term and believe that we have put things in place for this remote learning to ensure it is effective, purposeful and engaging for the children.

As I said, we understand that everyone's home life is different and many of you are juggling remote learning, care of siblings, housework and working from home but our priority is to make sure that the children's academic and emotional wellbeing is not affected by this lockdown period, so please, as always – our message is to keep in touch! Tell us if you are struggling and we will do our best to support you.

We hope the information below clarifies, explains or adds further guidance to what remote learning will look like for children at the Cambridge Primary School.

#### **Expectations**

- Parents will collect paper packs of work and activities from the school on a Friday (except for the first pack collection, which will be Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January, followed by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> January and each Friday thereafter).
- The paper packs are closely linked to the learning which is taking place in school. We have opted to produce these weekly as we wish to ensure that we can personalize the learning and go at the children's pace, where possible.
- Children are to attend all zoom meetings (3 a day) – the timetable for this will be issued. Our intention is that the morning zooms (typically 9am and 11am) will be shorter (no more than 30 minutes) and be predominantly teacher led with a focus in English or Maths. The afternoon zoom will be longer to enable to children to interact further and share their work.
- There will be an initial zoom on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January, in the afternoon – this will be for the children to log on and familiarize themselves with zoom (asking them to mute and un-mute themselves etc, with the intention of them being zoom-able so that during the zooms, parents do not need to supervise).
- A register will be taken during each zoom session.
- We would strongly encourage children to join us with their school jumper on, if not full uniform, to encourage their curious minds to be in the right frame of mind.
- All work completed in the paper packs should be kept and handed in on pack collection day (Fridays) so that the work can be added to their books at school as a record.

Should you need any resources to access any of this learning, e.g. pencils, paper – please let us know. We want to reduce, as best we can, any barriers to accessing the remote learning.

## **Staffing**

As The Cambridge is currently in a partial closure, staff are in full time looking after the bubbles we have in school. Please see the new staffing structure below.

<b>Reception</b>	
Oak Class	<b>Miss Faul + Miss Flack</b>
Willow Class	<b>Mrs Tack + Mrs Beeson</b>
Reception Remote Learning	<b>Miss Rees</b>
<b>Year 1</b>	
Holly Class	<b>Mrs Williams + Miss Hopwood + Mrs Broughton + Miss Nelson</b>
Birch Class	<b>Miss Dimmer + Miss Ship and Miss Robey</b>
Y1 Remote Learning	<b>Miss Burns</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	
Chestnut Class	<b>Miss Hales + Mrs Dunne + Miss Davey</b>
Beech Class	<b>Miss Billyard + Miss Palmer + Miss Griffiths</b>
Y2 Remote Learning	<b>Miss Tancock</b>

You will see that each year group has a 'Remote Learning Teacher' who will be leading the majority of the zooms and be your main point of contact through the remote learning. Some zooms will be the whole year group (approximately 30-40 pupils) and some will be class groups (approximately 15 pupils) – this depends on the content of the zoom.

## **Communication**

We want to keep in touch! We have set up class email addresses which the Remote Learning Teachers will have access to, along with the class teachers. Please use these email addresses to email any queries about the learning, any concerns or equally to share pictures of the children's work.

<b>Reception</b>
<a href="mailto:oak@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk">oak@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk</a>
<a href="mailto:willow@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk">willow@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk</a>
<b>Year 1</b>
<a href="mailto:birch@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk">birch@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk</a>
<a href="mailto:holly@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk">holly@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk</a>
<b>Year 2</b>
<a href="mailto:chestnut@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk">chestnut@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk</a>
<a href="mailto:beech@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk">beech@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk</a>

All other enquires can be directed to [info@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk](mailto:info@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk)

In addition to the emails, Reception parents are strongly encouraged to use their Tapestry accounts. This is a great way for us at school to share what we are doing and for you to share what is being done at home.

This next phase is daunting for all of us, but up until this point we have coped by pulling together. Please be kind to each other and bear with us as we all adjust into this lockdown. We will do our best to find the positives in this situation and thrive from the challenges we are facing.

I understand you have been given a lot of information of the last few days and would like you to offer you a zoom this evening to talk through our remote plans. Should any questions arise following this,

please email them to [info@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk](mailto:info@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk) and I will get back to you. Please note, this zoom will be recorded.

*The Cambridge is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.*

*Topic: Remote Learning Information and Guidance*

*Time: Jan 5, 2021 06:00 PM Greenwich Mean Time*

*Join Zoom Meeting*

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87460145109?pwd=aU5PT2w5enhSS1M2RjFubFRYdFdFUT09>

*Meeting ID: 874 6014 5109*

*Passcode: Remote*

Once again, thank you for your support and patience in the tricky time.

Kind regards,

Mrs Kennedy