

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Dear Parent/ Carers,

Firstly, I hope that you and your families are healthy and well. I also hope that you managed to enjoy the festive period, one that will certainly live long in the memory for many reasons! A huge thank you to everyone who has shown the school a huge amount of support at this time.

Following the government's announcement on Tuesday, we have been preparing home learning for children to further extend from this week. Even though your child will not be attending school, **it is an expectation from the Government for your child to access remote learning**. We appreciate and understand that this will need to look different in each household depending on your circumstances.

Our remote learning offer is accessed via Tapestry for children in Nursery, Reception and Years 1 and 2. For children in Years 3 - 6, online learning will be set via Google Classroom, a platform which we have previously used, and children are aware of. *Guides for how to access and use these platforms can be found here:*

[https://www.sandyhill.org.uk/web/home\\_learning/459904](https://www.sandyhill.org.uk/web/home_learning/459904)

**To support with the above, school has organised an individual learning pack with resources for every child to complement our learning offer. These packs can be collected from Monday next week – text with time and day will follow to stagger times and ensure social distancing.**

Our remote learning will mirror provision for those within school at present as well as at home, allowing school staff to interact with all children, feedback on their learning, as well as set appropriate next steps and address any misconceptions.

Learning will be set daily and available from 6pm the evening before in order for parents who wish to look at it beforehand to do so. We appreciate that some of you may need to juggle your own work commitments, as well as several children's home learning and therefore, may choose to complete it at different times. However, we ask that you complete each day's work and upload it daily. School staff will be available to support and feedback via Tapestry and Google Classrooms during the school day but please bear in mind that all our teachers are also teaching in school.

Staff from school may call you from within the school on the school's number (01726 75858) or from the Trust's central number: 01726 438613. Please add this number to your contacts so that you know it is the school trying to contact you.

T: 01726 75858

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**Our remote learning offer: what to expect within a week**

<b>English</b>	<b>Maths</b>	<b>Topic</b>
1x Spelling (CEW and Weekly Spelling Focus) 1x Comprehension 1x SPAG 1x Handwriting 1x Writing activity (open ended) in lined book – direct to use of Alan Peat  Encourage your child to read each day – on Oxford Owl or Oxford Reading Buddy or Books at home – accelerated reader still available.  Daily Phonics.	1 x Mental Workout (CGP)  1x 10 minute weekly workout (CGP)  1x Times Tables Practice/Number Bonds – TT Rockstars/Sumdog – Competition against another class.  3 x (2x KS1) CGP Books to compliment in class learning.  White Rose Power Point / video to direct learning.  White Rose Worksheet.	Activities to mirror in class foundation subject learning. Examples:  History/Geography RE Music (Charanga) PE PSHE (SCARF have a home learning section) Art/DT Science (Developing Experts) ICT (Espresso)
<b>EYFS - Reception</b>		
Daily spellings (created booklet)  Daily Phonics Activity then linked to handwriting (CGP)  Daily Reading using prepared reading and comprehension booklet/ ORB/ Oxford Owl  Stories / Rhymes	2 x Maths Power points (linking to CGP Books).  2 x practical activities linked to weekly topic  1x Numbots	Activities to mirror in class learning.
<b>EYFS - Nursery</b>		
Daily name writing Phase 1 daily phonics  1x Nursery Rhyme	5x practical activities linked to weekly topic	Activities to mirror in class learning.

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### **Additionally**

- Weekly Teams meeting with the class starting from week beginning 18<sup>th</sup> January if not before – scheduled in groups or whole class. Dates and Times TBC in due course. This is an online meeting where learning will be celebrated and a time to say hello/ see friends from within the classroom and at home. Links will be sent out via Arbor.
- Recordings of teachers and support staff reading the class novel.
- Ad hoc messages on Google Classroom/Tapestry from class teacher to class for them to comment back on.

### **Feedback**

- Feedback will be regular and focus on positives as well as suggested next steps - this will be through Tapestry and Google Classroom or via telephone.

As you can see from the above, our remote learning is substantial and aims to continue to support all children. It is imperative that if you have issues with access, you contact the school to discuss.

If you have any feedback on our remote learning offer, please send these to: [hello@sandyhill.org.uk](mailto:hello@sandyhill.org.uk) Even though your child will be learning from home, this does not mean you are alone – we are learning (and juggling!) with you.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Bridget Rundle  
Head of School