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NEWSLETTER - Isolation & Lockdown Procedures

Dear Parents/Carers

Although it has been a different start to the new school year it has been lovely to see all of you back at school. We have listened to your comments during the last lockdown and have tried to make some adjustments to our provision based on your suggestions.

We are very aware that in the current climate there are lots of unanswered questions about what would happen in different possible situations. We will explain below what we have set in place as a school for these and hopefully put your mind at rest should you need to isolate as a family, should we have a closed bubble or should we go into a local or national lockdown.

Family Isolation - individual children

If your child or someone in your household is isolating while awaiting a test result or isolating due to showing symptoms your whole household will need to isolate until the test results come back negative or for up to 14 days. As a school we will:

Nursery & Reception (EYFS) - Acorns and Oak Classes

- Target pencils have already been sent home for you to support your child in working towards their current targets.
- Nursery children will have a weekly homework letter sent home by their teacher providing links to our website and other useful sites.
- Reception children will take home or have delivered to their home address a set of workbooks for phonics, handwriting and maths please do one page of each booklet per day.
- Reception Children will also receive a weekly homework activity letter from their teacher.
- Children will have access to their Purple Mash activities.
- Children who are on reading books will have online access to our linked Bug Club Reading with phonetic based books and independent reading books available to them for their current reading level.
- Please continue to play with and read to your children just like you always do.

Y1 and Y2 - Willow and Rowan Classes

- Children will take home or have delivered to their home address a set of workbooks for phonics, handwriting, maths, comprehension and spelling, punctuation & grammar please do one page of each booklet per day.
- Children will have access to their Purple Mash activities.
- Children who are on reading books will have online access to our linked Bug Club Reading with phonetic based books and independent reading books available to them for their current reading level.

- We will direct you to the right location and term on our school website for Knowledge Organisers for all foundation subjects - This will tell you what the children would be learning in each subject and give ideas for related books. The subject pages on our website will also provide links to useful websites for learning.
- The 'Help Your Child at Home' section of our school website will also continue to provide links to support, emotional well-being resources and educational resources.

Closed Bubble & Local or National Lockdown

If an adult in school or a child in school receives a positive test result then it would potentially close one or more of our bubbles. The bubble would then need to isolate for a period of 14 days. If we were ordered by the Government or Local Authority to lockdown, school would close to all except vulnerable or key worker children (unless advised otherwise). In addition to what would be provided for family isolation we will also offer:

Nursery & Reception (EYFS) - Acorns and Oak Classes

- Reception Daily Phonics Lessons Links will be sent for you to access the correct starting point for your child for the DFE Letters and Sounds lessons on YouTube
- Teachers in Reception Class will send links for relevant online lessons provided by the Oak National Academy for English linked to familiar traditional tales

Y1 and Y2 - Willow and Rowan Classes

- Teachers will send planned activities for English, Maths and Phonics this will follow some provided resources and some online support resources as listed below:
 - * Maths White Rose Maths PowerPoints and linked worksheets
 - * Daily Phonics Lessons Links will be sent for you to access the correct starting point for your child for the DfE Letters and Sounds lessons on YouTube
 - * English Teachers will identify relevant lessons on the Oak Academy for your child to follow and complete the linked activities

We realise there are lots of links, websites etc so please read our Parent Website Guide letter which will support you to access these, please remember to sit alongside your child to support and engage them with this learning and finally if you have difficulties with technology please feel free to get in touch.

Please use these email addresses to get in touch with your child's class teacher or myself:

Acorns/Nursery

Oak

Willow

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I hope this will answer some of your questions and settle some of your concerns. If you have any questions at all please feel free to contact me. Finally I would like to reassure you that this work/expectation is intended to support your children but please be reassured that if it is causing family stress then leave it and get in touch with us. What matters most in these difficult times is happy families!

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Cook Head Teacher