



Home Learning with Stockton Wood

Dear Parent/Carer,

This letter explains our plans for remote learning (home Learning). Our remote learning plan has been made with our pupils and their families in mind. We believe that this plan will work best for the children at our school.

The government has outlined an expectation that schools, 'set work that is of equivalent length to the core teaching pupils would receive in school and as a minimum, three hours a day for primary'.

Overview:

- We will share our daily learning schedules on our website and on Twitter by 8:45am.
- We understand that there needs to be flexibility for our families and as such, the timings are a guideline only but we could encourage families to establish a learning routine at home.
- We will provide paper work packs to supplement learning schedules weekly.
- Teachers in school will be following the same learning schedule with the children of critical workers.
- It is especially important if your child is attending school for part of the week only, that they keep up-to-date with their home learning. If they do not do this, they will find it difficult to engage in learning on the days that they attend school.

Communication

We will be inviting Years 5 and 6 children initially to use learning platforms to communicate with their class teachers. More information regarding this will be provided shortly.

We will be making weekly phone calls to families to check on wellbeing and the progress of home learning. Please do not hesitate to contact us.

What you'll need at home!

Our learning schedules will refer to online learning activities such as White Rose Maths, Oak Academy and Oxford Owl. (Log ins where necessary have been provided – let us know if you have lost them!)

For these activities, your child will need access to a device that can access the internet, such as a tablet, smartphone, laptop or desktop computer.

We will be sending home an exercise book for written work as well as worksheet activities. Ideally, your child/ren need a quiet space where they can work without interruption.

During the autumn term, teachers asked all families about access to devices that were available to their children in the event of a period of isolation.

We understand that some families may not have access to a device and we will endeavor to support our families in any way that we can.

What we expect from your child

It's important that your child engages with home learning and keeps to their daily schedule. If they aren't engaging with the learning, we'll use the following strategies to provide additional support:

- Additional support from our Learning Mentor and/or year group Teaching Assistants.
- Further phone calls home from Mrs Ikuta, Mrs Bradley or Mrs Clovis.
- Doorstep visits

What you can do to help

We appreciate that this is a challenging situation for you. We kindly ask for your support so that we can continue to provide the best education for your child during this time.

All children and particularly younger children will need support in accessing online materials and staying focused with their remote learning. We ask that you help them as much as you can.

Our top tips:

Encourage your child to be ready and dressed for the start of the school day, and to keep to their timetable as much as possible.

Distinguish between weekdays and weekends, and make it clear when the school day is over, to separate home and school life. (Wearing school uniform each day may help children to focus and recognise which times of the day are for learning!)

Plan breaks and exercise into the day to help keep your child active.

Please keep in touch with us and do let us know if you're having any difficulties with remote learning, or if you have any questions.

Thank you for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to contact us at school – we here to help in any way that we can.

Yours sincerely,

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