

12th January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

You have made it through a whole week of remote learning! We are closely monitoring how you're all getting on at home (and those at school) and are really impressed that already this week, engagement in online learning is as follows:

Rec	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
70%	100%	85%	90%	71%	92%	91%

Let's aim for 100% by the end of the week!!

I cannot reiterate enough that if you are having any problems at all with logging in, accessing your learning packs (e.g. if you didn't want them printing off but would now like a copy), understanding a task, understanding a question or just need some reassurance, PLEASE CALL US! We are here to help. Alternatively, send an email and we will respond as soon as possible!

To respond to questions and queries and to further support with remote learning, I thought I would send an update! The learning pack for next week will be emailed on Friday to begin on Monday morning. This will now be one booklet with all the timetabled tasks for each day in order. This is so that you can follow the lessons more easily.

Please collect packs if you need a paper copy on Friday morning from 9-10am (from the Lead Lane entrance). If you cannot make this time, just let us know via the admin email and we will have it ready for when you are available. If you are isolating, we will deliver to you - again as soon as possible. You can also return your child's learning pack at the same time if you haven't managed to send photos to the email addresses. We will then quarantine them for 3 days, before providing feedback. This is not compulsory as we can see what the children are doing online and through your fabulous updates via email.

Mr Price has put together a Purple Mash support guide for children in Years 1-6 (attached to this email), so that you can help your child in their communication with their teachers - again, please let us know if you are struggling to see any feedback or share assignments. We want to make sure that everyone has access.

We have also attached the overview for the topic areas being covered week by week this term. You might have some books or resources at home about some of the subject areas or Ripon Library may help too! We have blocked the subject areas each week, so that children can gain an in depth-understanding of each area of learning which we had planned to deliver over the course of the term. This worked well during the last lockdown as we were so impressed by how much the children had remembered when they returned to school.

It was brilliant to see so many children on Zoom yesterday and I hope that any technical hitches and glitches can be ironed out before Thursday - same times and code as yesterday. Teachers will call any children who do not attend to offer help/support/updates and those who ask for a call in the meeting or via email.



Nurturing Children to Succeed and Achieve

The guidance has now been updated for Key Worker pupils in school (on Friday evening!!!) and I really wanted to clarify that we will of course ensure that children have a place in school if a parent is a key worker, however please consider the following...

1. If you do not book in using the keyworker form on our website, our numbers in a group may rise to the point where we need additional staffing and would therefore have to turn children away until this is in place. This is to ensure that Health and Safety procedures are being followed.
2. Is there someone at home who is not a key worker or working at home, who could supervise your child?

Both of these are to help keep children and staff as safe as possible.

We currently have approximately 80 pupils in school daily; this includes Nursery. The number varies based on shifts that parents are doing. Our numbers during the previous lockdown were around 30. Our staff are all working hard to provide remote learning and care for children in school and at home and on their behalf, we would like to thank you for working with us to keep doing our very best for our community.

Keep up the great work everyone.

With very best wishes,

Mrs Rowett
Headteacher