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Dear Parents

This letter explains to you how we will support children in the event of individual pupil/family self-isolation and in the event of whole 'bubble'/school closure.

## Class Dojo

Class Dojo will continue to be the on-line program/facility that teachers will use to message you/upload work/assignments when necessary. It is therefore crucial that you accept your invitation to join Class Dojo and let us know immediately if you do not have the internet/wifi/suitable device at home to be able to do this. Teachers have already sent you an information sheet explaining how Class Dojo works and what will be private/shared with the whole class. It is very important that we respect teachers' work-life balance and you need to appreciate that unless an entire 'bubble'/the whole school closes, they are teaching all day and therefore cannot respond to messages or requests while they are working in the classroom. **We ask that you only message teachers between 7.00am-8.00am and 3.30pm-5.30pm Monday to Friday. If you want to contact the school/class teachers outside of these times please ring the school office during working hours as you would have done previously.** Teachers will always respond to your calls/messages as soon as they can. We appreciate that you cannot speak to staff in person as frequently and easily as you might have done pre-Covid and we hope that this request provides the right balance for us to maintain our communication with each other. Teachers cannot teach all day and provide on-line home learning at the same time so we will have the following two systems in place to ensure children can carry on learning at home, even when teachers are still teaching at school.

## Whole school/whole 'bubble' closure

If this happens it will be because there has been at least one confirmed case of Covid in the school community. We will be advised by the DfE whether to close or not. This is not a decision that is made by the school. If closure happens, teachers will post daily lessons onto Class Dojo for your children to access and complete. Learning activities will cover all curriculum subjects and will be linked to the learning that would have taken place if they were at school. Attached to this letter is a list of websites that you may wish to access, in addition. Please note that these websites are being provided for your convenience and for information purposes only. They do not constitute an endorsement or approval by the school.

## Individual/family self-isolation

Teachers will produce a home-learning pack, containing a range of activities linked to the learning that children will be covering in class. There will be enough work for two weeks as follows:-



## YR

- Story telling activity
- Reading books
- Handwriting sheets
- 2 weeks of phonic activities
- Maths activities
- Activities related to current learning topics incorporating 'Understanding the World/Expressive Arts and Design
- Websites list

## Y1/Y2

- A set of sequenced reading books
- Reading activities
- Two weeks of phonics activities
- A writing/story telling activity
- Maths pack
- An art activity
- An investigation/science activity
- Websites list

These packs will be personalised to match pupils' year group/abilities and children will take them with them if they have to be collected from school after displaying Covid symptoms. If children do not come to school because they/family members have developed Covid symptoms at home, the packs will be delivered by hand, by staff, on the first day of absence. This is because you should not leave your house, except to get a test.

We expect children to complete school work if they have to self- isolate, but are well, and teachers will explain how it is to be produced/marked. Of course, if children are absent from school because they are unwell, we do not expect them to complete work and there is no expectation that teachers should provide it.

Thank you for reading this letter carefully and do not hesitate to ask teachers for further assistance if you need it.

Yours sincerely

Lucy Bates  
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