

Rivington Primary School Home Learning Offer

In the event that a class, number of classes or the whole school needs to close for up to 14 days, the following policy has been agreed across our school to offer consistency for families and clarity of the expectations of children whilst working at home.

- Each teacher will Zoom daily in order to register the children and to set out the programme of work for the day and teach/direct children towards some content. These will be staggered to ensure that siblings will not be needing to use the internet at the same time. During all zoom calls there will be two adults from school. Children are required to be dressed and to be in a downstairs communal room. This Zoom call may be split into more than one session dependant on the class and teaching requirements. It may also be used to start and end the day.
- Each day, the children will be expected to do a lesson of maths, reading (phonics), writing and another foundation subject.
- The children will continue to be expected to read at least 5 times a week.
- A book will be sent home to work in. This must be kept safe and returned to school.
- Should a child not be engaging with learning then the teacher will contact home immediately (first day response).
- Teachers2Parents will be used when necessary but communication about work will mainly be through our online platform SeeSaw (accessed via any device).
- Teachers and Learning Support Assistants will be using SeeSaw to give children feedback and answer any questions.
- Due to the requirements of the EYs framework and the age of the children, staff within nursery and reception will set learning activities which are age appropriate with an emphasis on early reading.
- Staff will continue to utilize the Oak Academy online resources, White Rose Maths, Pobble and any other online resources which will support the children's learning particularly around teaching instruction, questioning and assessment.
- The school website continues to be a good source of information for home learning.
- In the event that you do not have access to the internet then please ring the school office and staff can set work as appropriate.

Please see the attached appendix for clarity on who / who will not be receiving work to complete at home.

Appendix A:

This document is designed to provide greater clarity around what support school will provide for children who are not permitted to attend school during this global pandemic.

1. **Children who are unable to attend because they are awaiting a test result.** This group could include siblings of a child (who may be pre-school or older than 11) who is waiting for a test result. It could also be because an adult within the household is in this situation.

School will continue to set home learning, via the grids or Seesaw, and where possible, we will set additional work. Where possible live/pre-recorded videos/online videos that have been used in class may be shared on SeeSaw. The timescale for testing is changing daily. School believes the length of wait is, at times, unacceptable, however as frustrating as this is school cannot guarantee work for this set of children.

2. **Children within households where there has been a positive test result** will be offered access to appropriate educational tasks, assuming they are well. For this group the length of the absence from school will be up to 14 days. **School will be providing daily tasks and possible video learning for the children.**

We would not be able to provide live content for this group as our class teachers will need to focus on the rest of their class still in school.

3. **If a whole class within our school (or the whole school) needs to close** because we are told to do so by the local authority or by Public Health England then work will be provided. This would normally be done by the class teacher, but will still be provided by school if the class teacher is unwell for any reason. **School will be providing daily tasks for the children as described previously.**
4. **Children who are contacted by HM Government's Test & Trace scheme** will also be included in access to appropriate educational tasks. These children are very likely to be well and able to do school tasks, but need to stay away from school because of contact with an individual, who has later been identified as having coronavirus. **School will be providing daily tasks for the children.**

For all children in groups 3 and 4, school would endeavour to continue aspects of schooling that go beyond set lessons such as assemblies and whole-class reads.

5. Children who return from a foreign holiday that was taken during school holidays or that was authorised by the Headteacher and who have to self-isolate upon their return will be directed to school-set work to complete for that period. **School will be providing daily tasks for the children.**

This will NOT be the case if any family choose to take an un-authorised foreign holiday during term time however. **School will not be providing daily tasks for the children.**

6. Pupils who are off school because they are unwell or sick will, as usual, not be set any work to do, as this is an unmanageable expectation upon staff.

In the event of a pupil not being school for whatever reason as stated above and they do not have Internet Access then a resource pack will be provided. Parents will need to make arrangements for the pack to be collected.

Please note this is an advisory communication in the event of children being off or if school has been advised to close a class for a temporary period.

May I take this opportunity to thank parents for their continued support in what is very challenging times for schools in maintaining the safety for its community, children, staff and parents.

Best wishes,

Sarah Annette