

RSJB Weekly

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Friday 8th January

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

It has certainly been a busy week. I am so proud of our incredible staff for adapting to the world of online teaching as well as teaching children of Key Workers in school. Thank you to all the children and families who have been assessing online learning; the quality of the work produced from pupils at home has been wonderful. It is vital that children do the work set on Google Classroom to ensure they do not fall behind the learning of their peers. Work will be available until Sunday evening in all classes to ensure that you can assess it at a time that works for your family. Mr. White and Ms. Steele are trialling some class meetings to support upper Key Stage Two children with feedback. This maybe something we roll out across school in the coming weeks. This week unfortunately saw the closure of the Year 6 bubble for the third time. Keyworker children in this bubble can return to school next Friday.

These are just a few quick reminders (and some frequently asked questions) as we move towards the end of what has been a difficult first week of the year for all of us.

Will there be free school meal vouchers again?

As of yet we do not know. This week, school is providing a food parcel whilst we wait to find out the Government's plans.

Will there be SATs this year?

It was announced that KS1 and KS2 SATs will not take place this year. Year 6 pupils will be teacher assessed by Ms. Steele.

If my child is in school, do they need a PE kit?

Yes, warm PE clothing is needed on usual PE days. School uniform and sensible footwear for outdoors as usual on a normal school day.

What happens if there is a positive case?

Unfortunately, as the Year 6 parents/carers will know, this has happened this week. A child that was in school on Monday has had a positive test and due to the timing of the direct contact, all children and staff in Year 6 now need to isolate up to and including Thursday 14th. If your child was not in school on Monday, then they do not need to isolate unless they show symptoms. Unfortunately, if your child attended on Monday and has been attending the Key Worker bubble, they cannot attend school as we have no staff now to run that bubble. Any future positive cases in school, due to the incubation time, will only impact those children currently attending school. For all other children remote learning will continue.

How do I get a device to support remote learning?

Just to remind you, you can access Google Classroom on Playstation and on Xbox now and details on how to do this can be sent to you if you ask (or you could just Google it - other search engines are available). From next week we will be keeping a list of children that are logging into Google Classroom and for those who are not, we will contact you directly by the end of the week to ensure we can support you and your child/ren in completing at least some of the learning tasks.

We are here to support your children as best we can. If you have difficulties, challenges and concerns please contact us. Again, we may not have instant solutions but we will do all we can to support each household. Please take care and contact us if you think we can help with something.

Yours sincerely

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