

RSJB Weekly

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Monday 8th February 2021

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well. A HUGE well done to all our families for supporting children with remote learning. You and your children are doing brilliantly and we are almost at half term. The Government are talking about schools reopening on the 8th March. However, what that looks like we do not know but we can reassure you that as a school we will be ready. Everyone in school wants the children to be back in as soon as possible.

We are so impressed with the quality of work that children are producing both at home and at school. We are also delighted by the number of children joining the live sessions and watching the recorded sessions. It was great to see some of the activities that you did for 'Minimum-Screen Wednesday' – they really did make us smile. Join us again live this Wednesday as we launch this week's theme. We could not be any prouder of how the children at Royston St Johns are managing throughout this Lockdown. If you have any questions we are only a phone call away.

Reading

Reading is one of the most important things you can do with your child during Lockdown. Reading a bedtime story and encouraging your child to read every day will really help them not fall behind during this period. There is access to an online library through Google Classroom (Oxford Owl) and we also have our lending library in reception. However, if you have any issues just get in touch and we can arrange books for you to collect that are specific to your child's needs.

Just to make all parents and carers aware that many of the staff have opted to take the Lateral Flow Tests to check for COVID. The staff that have opted to do this do so on a Monday evening and a Thursday evening. If one of these tests proves positive for COVID school will close the bubble that the member of staff has been part of until that person has had a PCR Test (the standard formal test.) If the PCR test proves to be positive the members of the bubble will need to continue to isolate. If the PCR test comes back negative (the Lateral Flow test giving a false positive) then the bubble will be allowed to return immediately.

Other than that, the only other thing is to remind you that school breaks up for half term this Thursday (11th February). The current guidance is still for school to be closed, however we will still be on call for any positive cases of COVID for those pupils and staff that are currently attending school. Therefore, if your child is currently attending school, has symptoms and then a positive test please can we ask you to email the school and let us know. We can then text the other members of the bubble to let them know that they need to isolate. Also, for half term there will be no learning posted on Google Classroom including the Inset Day.

Quick reminder...

Here is our school procedure for reporting test results.

- Between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4.00 p.m. Mon to Fri (term time) ring the school office on 01226 722011
- Out of school hours – evenings and weekends we ask that you email the test result through to our new email address covidresultRSJB@smat.org.uk. This will be monitored periodically on an evening and at the weekend.

Please do not use our normal email addresses to report test results.

Once again try and have a good weekend, keep going and if you have any questions or something you think we may be able to help with please just contact us and we will do all we can to assist.

Yours sincerely

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