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How school will support HOME LEARNING

Dear Parents/Carers,

This letter is to explain how we will support your child working at home during the National Lockdown.

YEAR 1 to YEAR 6 CHILDREN

For Key Worker and Vulnerable children working IN SCHOOL class teachers will:

- Continue to deliver the planned school curriculum through daily lessons and support.

For children engaging in HOME LEARNING class teachers will:

- Make use of **Microsoft Teams** to enable children working at home to engage remotely in the planned school curriculum lessons which will be taught in school. These lessons will be recorded so that children can watch them at a different time if required.
- Provide a HOME LEARNING timetable on the school website and in the work pack.
- Provide a work pack of resources to last 2 weeks which must be collected from school.
- Change reading books every 2 weeks.
- Plan two afternoons of 'no screen time' – a time for children to: engage in physical activity, catch up on planned work, redraft and write up neatly or complete own study.
- Provide regular marking and feedback through the use of the Seesaw Class App.
- Provide additional support through phone calls and emails where required.

WORK PACKS FROM SCHOOL

A folder of work will be prepared for children which will last for 2 weeks. Every 2 weeks you will receive a text to let you know when you can collect your next work folder and drop off your old one.

In the pack you will find:

- Resources and activities to support the learning taking place in lessons - all children should complete their work either on the sheet (if this is most appropriate) OR in the GREEN HOMEWORK BOOK which has already been sent home.

THE SCHOOL WEBSITE – HOME LEARNING TAB

Please look at the Home Learning tab on the school website for further information. This includes updates and letters from the Headteacher and links to websites for additional study and support.



On the school website there is a link to OAK Academy for children looking for ADDITIONAL work/activities – this is OPTIONAL.

Oak National Academy has been funded by the DfE and uses the skills of experienced teachers and covers a wide range of subjects.

It is very easy to use: there's no login or password, you can access the lessons on any device, and pupils only need materials they can find at home and a pencil and paper - our pupils will record the work completed in their Green Homework Book.

Each lesson is up to an hour-long (age dependent). Children are asked to pause the video to think, discuss and/or to complete the tasks. Children are invited to complete a quiz at the end of the lesson to check their understanding. Children can take a screen shot of the end of lesson quizzes with their score and email it to their class teacher to receive some feedback.

These can be used as additional learning opportunities for your child.



For children who may require support with phonics (in addition to the daily lessons they receive from the teacher) there is a link to further RWI lessons.

For guidance on which lessons are most appropriate for your child, please contact the class teacher.

MORE ADDITIONAL RESOURCES!

We have added some additional links if your child wants to access any other OPTIONAL forms of learning: Times Tables Rockstars, BBC Bitesize and Oxford Owl for example.

Emails to contact teachers:

1H	Miss Hallwood	khallwood@watertonacademytrust.org
1/2B	Miss Brook	hbrook@watertonacademytrust.org
2C	Miss Carter	jcarter@watertonacademytrust.org
3C	Mrs Carter	lcarter@watertonacademytrust.org
3/4M	Mrs Moodley	jmoodley@watertonacademytrust.org
4D	Mr Deverell	mdeverell@watertonacademytrust.org
5B	Miss Brown	rbrown@watertonacademytrust.org
5/6P	Mrs Parry	sparry@watertonacademytrust.org
6C	Miss Corner	acorner@watertonacademytrust.org
DHT/SENDCo	Mrs Sanders	ksanders@watertonacademytrust.org
HT	Mrs Coyle	jcoyle@watertonacademytrust.org

During the National Lockdown there will always be staff in the school office to answer your call. If a class bubble needs to self-isolate your class teacher will also be isolating and unless they are ill themselves they will continue to support you from home, otherwise you will continue to work from the work pack.

We have been really impressed with the resilience and the determination shown by the children who have been isolating to continue their learning and we want to encourage all children during the National lockdown to fully engage with the home learning offer from school.

Many thanks in anticipation of your continued support. I know that together we can get through this. Please stay safe – and keep in touch!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Coyle
Headteacher