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Remote Learning Update

Dear parents and carers,

With the return to school this September and the changes in guidance with regard to COVID self-isolation restrictions, we have reviewed our approach to Remote Learning at Wroxall Primary school.

If a member of a household tests positive for COVID-19, all other members of the household should continue to attend work and school as usual. In this situation remote learning **would not** be provided for children. If transporting children to school is a barrier for households where lone or both parents/carers have tested positive, please do contact the school office to discuss the situation so that we can find a solution to support your child to continue attending school.

Should your child develop COVID-19 related symptoms (high temperature, continuous cough, loss or change in sense of smell or taste) or they test positive for COVID-19, they will need to self-isolate immediately and a PCR test should be booked to confirm the result. Please inform the school as soon as possible at this point. In these cases, if your child is well enough, they should switch immediately to learning remotely.

From September 2021, we will be using Google Classroom for our online learning platform rather than Seesaw. This will be the case for all children in Browne, Morpurgo, Pichon and Riddell classes. Children in Donaldson class will continue to use Tapestry. Google classroom has the advantage of enabling access to Google Meet. This will provide the opportunity for live lessons to be accessed where appropriate. Google Classroom is also a platform which allows multiple staff members to upload work for classes and can be accessed without the need for a subscription. Many other schools have used this platform with great success already to facilitate remote learning.

Each teacher will upload one day's worth of learning to Google classroom which can be accessed immediately by children who need to self-isolate. This work will closely reinforce and complement the learning which is taking place in class at the current time. The first day's work will be in a folder named, '**Self-Isolation First day**'. From that day moving forward for the self-isolation period, teachers will upload work onto your child's Google Classroom account to closely match the work which is taking place in the classroom.

Each day's work will be uploaded in a folder labelled with the date it should be completed. In a similar way to remote learning from last year, the folder will also contain a daily tasks sheet, providing an overview of lessons for the day. Any links to GoogleMeet sessions, enabling children to log-in and access the live input taking place in the classroom while they are learning from home will also be on the daily task sheet. All work for children to access from Google classroom will be found under the **classwork tab**. Completed work can be uploaded via the same tab. A homework folder will also be uploaded onto the Classwork tab and Google classroom will be used to share weekly tasks. A weekly overview sheet will be added to explain what your child should be completing at home each week.

Your child's class teacher will be showing them how to use Google classroom this week so that they will be familiar with where work is and how to access it. Each child will have a school email address and password which will be shared with you by your child's class teacher to enable you to access this from home. The school office will also have a list of children's log-in details should these be mislaid.

Although I appreciate that using a new, unfamiliar system can bring challenges, I feel that as we move forward with remote learning as an ongoing feature of teaching and learning within school, switching to Google classroom will ensure that we are fully equipped for future changes or challenges to remote learning.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss

Kind regards

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Lynn Torrance
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