



Highfield Primary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians

I am writing again to tell you that unfortunately school is having to close to the majority of pupils due to the Covid pandemic. The closure starts today and will last until at least February half term. This letter will outline the provision for your children over the next few weeks.

### **Remote learning**

For the majority of pupils that have to remain at home, learning will be provided by the class teacher on a daily basis. What this provision looks like will be different to last year and will differ depending on the age of your child. This work is compulsory and needs to be completed. If pupils do not engage with this work, then we will be in contact with you to discuss the reasons why.

This week, work for all year groups will be uploaded to Class Dojo. From next Monday the following will apply.

### **Elm Class**

- Ideas for activities that parents can do with their children will be uploaded at the start of each week
- Pre-recorded phonics lessons will be uploaded daily to Class Dojo
- The teacher will do a live story time session on Microsoft Teams each afternoon.
- Parents and children will be able to share any learning completed that day with their teacher on Teams (live) or via Class Dojo
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### **Hazel, Beech, Maple and Pine**

- Pre-recorded phonics/spellings sessions will be uploaded to Class dojo daily
- Maths - Power maths text book and work book will be sent home for the children to use. Teachers will pre-record a daily explanation and upload this to Class Dojo
- English – Daily lessons will be provided. Teachers will pre-record daily input which will be uploaded to Class Dojo
- One other subject (Science, topic, PSHE, RE) will be provided daily. This will follow on from previous learning. Pre-recorded explanations, videos from other providers will be provided on Class Dojo.
- The teacher will do a live story time session on Microsoft Teams each afternoon.
- Parents and children will be able to share any learning completed that day with their teacher on Teams (live) or via Class Dojo



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### Cherry, Rowan, Sycamore & Willow

- Maths - Power maths text book and work book will be sent home for the children to use. Teachers will teach a live lesson on Microsoft TEAMS (which will also be recorded for pupils who cannot access it live). Children will complete work in their work book.
- English – Teachers will teach a live lesson on Microsoft TEAMS (which will also be recorded for pupils who cannot access it live)
- One other subject (Science, topic, PSHE, RE) will be provided daily. This will follow on from previous learning. Pre-recorded explanations, videos from other providers will be provided on Class Dojo
- A pre-recorded spelling lesson will be uploaded to class dojo 3 times a week.
- The teacher will do a live story time session on Microsoft Teams at the end of each morning.
- Parents and children will be able to share any learning completed that day with their teacher on Teams (live) or via Class Dojo.

### Story Time

In order to ensure all pupils can access the class story time each day we have staggered the times

- 11:45am Cherry, Rowan, Sycamore, Willow
- 1:30pm Maple Class
- 2pm Beech class
- 2:30pm Elm Class
- 3pm Hazel Class
- 3:30pm Pine Class

### Technology

We are aware that for some children a lack of technology may be an issue. Most of the work will be completed in books but pupils will need to be able to access Microsoft Teams and class dojo in order to find out what to do. Children in Cherry, Rowan, Sycamore & Willow ideally need access to a laptop or tablet every morning so that they can access the live lessons. If you are struggling for this, then school do have a small number of laptops that are available to borrow. If you need one please email [covidteam@highfield-pri.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:covidteam@highfield-pri.lancs.sch.uk) and we will try and make one available. Pupils in the other classes can manage from a phone if this is all that is available although a tablet would be better. We also have some free sim cards with 30gb of data that fit all types of tablets and dongles. If you require one of these please let us know.



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### **Free School Meals**

As I write this letter we are still waiting to hear what the plans are for providing for pupils eligible for free school meals who are at home. Once we know we will communicate this through the usual channels

### **What we need you to do this week**

- Collect work packs from school which will include Power Maths work book, pencil, eraser, exercise book
- Ensure the children have access to appropriate technology to complete their work at home.
- Ensure you can access Class dojo and Microsoft TEAMS. The staff are having training on Wednesday so will send login details for TEAMS later in the week

### **What we need you to do next week**

- Make sure the children get up and dressed ready for the start of the school day.
- Provide them with somewhere to work
- Sit with them to help them access the lessons and complete the work
- Provide them with time to exercise outdoors

### **Critical worker and vulnerable pupil provision**

As last year school will be remaining open for vulnerable workers and those of critical workers. The provision will be more formal than last year. Children need to attend every day from 8:45 to 3:15. They will complete the work set by the teachers supervised by the class teaching assistants. Children need to attend in uniform. They may bring a packed lunch or have a school dinner. Those eligible for free school meals (all of KS1 and income related KS2 pupils) will get one free or you can purchase one as normal for £2.30 per day. Breakfast club will be available as normal from 8am (cost £1 per day).

We will continue to keep in touch with you on our Facebook page and we will send out newsletters.

Stay safe

Regards

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