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Remote Education Provision: Information for Parents

This information is intended to provide clarity and transparency to pupils and parents or carers about what to expect from remote education until half-term.

By 6pm each day, your child's class teacher will email you with a timetable for the following day. This will include a mixture of:

- Live online learning sessions (via Zoom) to introduce new learning / share feedback
- A mixture of online & offline activities to be completed independently.

All relevant links & resources will be included in the email to enable you to support your child's learning at home. Please see the following FAQs for more detail and get in touch with your child's class teacher if you have any further enquiries.

In order to assist us with delivering suitable learning activities that do not require printing or access to a screen, we are providing textbooks and exercise books for the children to use for <u>some</u> activities for the duration of their time at home. Please come and collect these from reception when convenient (whilst maintaining social distancing) or get in touch if this is an issue.

When will this start?

There will be a brief session tomorrow to say hello, outline expectations and provide an activity for the children to be doing. Our full offer will start from Thursday onwards – as this gives teachers the chance to plan meaningful sessions.

Will the offer be the same for all classes?

It will be broadly similar but will vary slightly based on several factors: the age / independence of the children; what content teachers are trying to deliver (some activities are easier to do at home!) and teachers' own preferences / teaching styles.



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How do I access the Zoom sessions?

The teacher will send you a link which you can join at the specified time. It will be the same link for all sessions throughout the half-term so you will not need to remember lots of different passwords etc. Your child should still be able to do the activities even if they can't access the Zoom sessions so please don't worry if you have more than one child at home.

What if I don't have a computer?

The Zoom sessions can be accessed via a mobile device / tablet. We do have a very limited number of laptops from the DfE which can be loaned out to families who need them. Your child will still be able to access the activities in the textbooks that are available to collect. Please get in touch if you are struggling and we can discuss how best to support your child.

What are the rules around Zoom?

- Ensure your child is wearing their school uniform
- Set them up in a place where they can sit comfortably. Do not use one of the optional 'backgrounds'.
- Help your child to join the session and then leave them to do it as independently as possible (it is good practice to remain in the room but not on the camera)
- Enter your child's real first name (i.e. not a nickname)
- Remove other distractions such as pets, toys etc.

What will the curriculum look like?

We will aim to teach a broad and balanced curriculum whilst the children are working from home. However, we will have to make adaptations in some subjects (for example in subjects where specialist equipment is needed). In order to make the activities manageable, we will not be setting too many different activities per day.

Where do I record my child's work and how do I share it with the teacher?

Please record the majority of your child's work in their home learning book. If you need another one, please come to school to collect one from reception. Please email your child's class teacher to share what they have been doing – this can be in the form of photos, Word documents or a description of what they've done. If your child is in the Foundation Stage, please use Tapestry to share their learning.

My child has completed all the set work for a particular day, what else can they be doing?

The home learning page on our website: <u>www.wharncliffeside.org.uk/home-</u> <u>learning.html</u> includes a variety of links; such as Education City, TT Rockstars, Spelling Frame and the Oxford Owl online reading scheme.

How will the school be monitoring engagement during this time?

Teachers will be tracking who attends the Zoom sessions and monitoring their emails; please keep in touch with us. If we do not hear from you, we will be making contact to check everything is ok.

How will you assess my child's work and progress?

Feedback can take many forms. Verbal feedback will be given during online lessons and written feedback will be given via email. We will not be doing any formal testing during this period – but will be testing all the children against age-related expectations later in the year (when things return to 'normal'). The government have indicated there will be changes to National testing arrangements (e.g. SATs) – we will share relevant information with you about this as appropriate.

How will the school keep me updated and celebrate achievement?

We will continue to use our usual methods of communication; this includes our weekly newsletter, messages via sQuid and social media. Mr Gaughan will do a special assembly every Friday afternoon via Zoom. This will take place at 1:40pm and the details are below:

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If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Mr Gaughan