



2<sup>nd</sup> October 2020

### **Dear Parents/Guardians**

Greetings to you all as we start our October month in school. Firstly, I again would like to thank you for all your continued support with keeping our school community safe in these difficult times. It is of upmost importance to me that we continue to work together to ensure that children are able to remain in school working in the classrooms with their peers around them. As you will be aware, the cases in Lancashire are rising and we are now subject to local lockdown restrictions. Further information and guidance on this can be found on our webpage under the information for parents tab. In order to protect our bubbles in school as much as possible we are asking that you endeavour to follow the guidance as much as possible. If there is a positive case within your child's bubble, school will follow the guidance set out by Public Health England and the Department for Education in order to identify which members of the school community have been in close contact and may need to isolate. The isolation period would be from 14 days from the last direct contact with the positive confirmed case. You may find the following information below useful to read.

#### **Close/direct contact is considered to be:**

- being coughed on, or
- having a face to face conversation within 1 metre,
- having unprotected skin to skin physical contact, or
- travel in a small vehicle with the case, or
- any contact within 1 metre for 1 minute or longer without face to face contact
- extended close contact (between 1 and 2 metres for more than 15 minutes) with a case.

The national guidance on isolation states that school will be asked to contact all school contacts and you will not necessarily be contacted by NHS Test and Trace.

#### **Isolation means that the child/adult should**

- not go to school, work or public places
- not attend any other out of school activities or go to a friend's house
- not use public transport or taxis
- not go to a shop
- not have visitors inside the home except for people providing essential care



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- not go out to exercise - exercise in home or garden, if you have one
- inform GP or hospital or other healthcare setting that they are self-isolating if they must attend in person.

As long as the child/adult who has been in direct contact does not begin to experience symptoms associated with COVID 19 other members of the house do not need to self-isolate. If the child/adult begins to show symptoms all members of the household will then need to self-isolate immediately. **This also includes anyone in your support bubble.** We are all aware of the impact that isolating can have on both health and wellbeing and on finances within families so we need to continue to work together to follow the guidance and reduce the risk of needing to isolate as much as possible.

Should a bubble need to close, school will advise parents/carers of this as quickly as possible via school spider and further information will be provided around next steps and remote learning by the school as soon as possible. (Please see below for further information)

**What remote learning can I expect from Britannia Community Primary School.**

Thank you for your feedback in regards to the previous home learning set. The vast majority of parents thought that the home learning provided was of a good quality and quantity. Some parents have asked for more printed workbooks - we have sent home some CGP workbooks which are part of our remote learning plan. Parents asked for some live teaching – if a whole class bubble has to go into isolation we plan to have two live teaching sessions each day. Parents asked for some pre-recorded video lessons – we are planning to use The Oak Academy videos and tasks. Teachers will continue to use our school website class pages to give a detailed timetable and schedule of the learning which needs to be completed. This information is to be used as a general guide and parents can expect further details of remote learning for their child as and when it is required. There are 2 general scenarios outlined below; the first scenario where your child is not permitted to attend school and the second outline will be the actions in the case of a whole bubble not being permitted to attend school. **It is really important that parents and guardians familiarise themselves with the content of the webpage in order to prepare for this should it arise.**

<p>My child (and their siblings if they are also attending Britannia) is absent because they are awaiting test results and our household is required to self-isolate. The rest of their school</p>	<p><b>Work will be uploaded to the home learning section of the school website under the appropriate year group.</b>  <a href="https://www.britanniaprimary.co.uk/">https://www.britanniaprimary.co.uk/</a></p> <div style="background-color: #f4a460; padding: 5px; text-align: center; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>Home Learning for 2020-2021</p> </div> <p>Click on the above heading and a drop down menu will appear below - you should select the appropriate year group. Within this page, you will find work set for the week and any documents in the files to download section. There will be an English, maths and curriculum overview for the week.</p> <p><b>Maths</b>          This maths work will mirror or follow on from the work being covered in class. The work should be completed in the child’s exercise book which was sent home on the 11<sup>th</sup> September with two other workbooks.</p>
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<p>bubble are attending school and being taught as normal.</p> <p>My child has to isolate for 14 days due to a positive case in the household.</p>	<p>Children can also access Timestable Rockstars, Numbots and Mathletics and have been provided with their individual logins.</p> <p><b>English</b> The tasks for English will be placed onto the webpage and will follow the sequence of learning in the classroom. The quantity will be dependent on the stage/age of the children. This work should be completed in the child’s exercise book and should be handed in on the return to school for feedback. Children can access Oxford Owls for additional reading materials. Additional links are on the school website including links to Oak Academy.</p> <p><b>Topic work</b> Curriculum work will be added to the webpage for children to complete which mirrors the classroom learning and this learning should be completed in the exercise book provided.</p> <p><b>Oak Academy</b> online lessons can be used for remote learning for every year group, covering a wide range of curriculum objectives. In Key Stage 1 work can be completed in the exercise book that has been sent or in the Homework book for KS 2 pupils. <a href="https://www.thenational.academy/">https://www.thenational.academy/</a></p> <p>For Daily lessons go to: <b>Pupils</b> then <b>Schedule</b> and choose your child’s <b>year group</b>. When your child returns to school, they should bring back their workbook and exercise books for feedback from the class teacher.</p> <p>Any questions should be directed to the class teacher. The email addresses can be found on the class webpages. Please be patient whilst awaiting a reply as the teachers will be teaching a class full time. If your question is urgent please contact the office via email or telephone and we will endeavour to provide timely support.</p>
<p>My child’s whole bubble or class is not permitted to attend school because they, or another member of their bubble, have tested positive for Covid 19.</p> <p>We enter another “lockdown” with total school closure</p>	<p>A weekly timetable will be put on the school website under <b>Class pages</b>. Initially, there will be work under the home learning page for the correct year groups to work on.</p> <p>Following this, further arrangements will be made for the class and the class teacher will provide a time for a Virtual Meeting for all pupils in their class. (This will be at 9am and then at 2pm). This will be through either zoom or google classroom once it is set up and staff have been trained. Details of this will be emailed to parents or on google classroom – <b>please ensure that school has up to date email addresses and that you are able to receive notifications via school spider</b>.</p> <p>The first meeting will go through some learning for the day and will have a phonics/ spelling or mental maths session. The second meeting will be a chance to go through the work completed, a chance for pupils to ask any additional questions and if there is time after this, a story time with the teacher.</p> <p>The class teaching assistants will also be making contact via zoom/phone calls/email to help pupils with their work.</p> <p>If a child has an EHCP they will have specific sessions with their teaching assistant and work will be catered for their individual needs.</p>



	<p><b>Maths</b> This will be a mixture of Workbook Maths, White Rose Maths and Oak Academy Maths. Links will be found on the timetable. <b>(If parents require maths print outs they must contact the office each Monday morning and arrange collection)</b></p> <p><b>English</b> This will be a mixture of Reading Comprehension Workbook, teacher prepared and Oak Academy English. Work can be completed in the child's exercise book/homework book.</p> <p><b>Topic</b> This will be a mixture of teacher prepared and Oak Academy RE/Science/Geography or History. Work can be completed in the child's exercise book/homework book.</p>
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The video learning session will not take place or be facilitated by your child's class teacher if the teacher is the one experiencing COVID symptoms. We know that our parents will understand that the health and wellbeing of our children, families and staff is paramount.

There will also be an item for every parent to complete on behalf of their children via School Spider which includes details our Remote Learning Rules and Code of Conduct. This should be read and answered via the School Spider App as soon as possible.

Thank you all for your continued support in these difficult times. It is by working together, that we shall overcome the biggest of hurdles.

Yours sincerely

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