

Dear parents,

Thank you very much for your support and co-operation as we make our arrangements for this period of lockdown.

Remote Learning

Kirsty Harbin will be sending out the timetable for the Remote learning later today. This includes the details for the teaching input that will take place this term on Zoom. We ask that as many children as possible join in with these daily sessions. We feel that the interaction with their teacher, their peers and the learning itself will all add value during this difficult time. The children have all worked so very hard in the Autumn term and we feel that these inputs from their class teachers will help them to continue on their various journeys. All of us are aware that we need to be mindful of children's screen time, which is why these short sessions are designed to cover 1 or 2 key learning points or skills, and then the children can have the opportunity to work through tasks to consolidate the learning.

On a practical note, we felt that consistent times would be easier to manage in busy households. Please ensure that Zoom calls take place in communal areas of the home, and that you support the class teacher by ensuring that your child remains on mute unless questions are being asked. If your child is anxious about responding to questions on Zoom, please let the class teacher know. We ask for your patience as we all develop our confidence and skills with this method of teaching.

Please contact the school if you will struggle with internet access problems, lack of a device to access Zoom or technical skills. We may be able to help you with these issues or find someone who can!

Resources

On Friday morning we will be putting out a resource pack for each child containing exercise books and other learning resources. These can be collected in the following timeslots:

9:30 – 10:30 – Years 3 & 4

10:45 – 11:45 – Years 5 & 6

Please do not congregate in the playground and collect packs as swiftly and safely as you can. If you are not able to collect the pack, do not worry – most resources can be replicated at home.

Opening for Critical workers

We have looked today at staffing for the small group of children who are in school. In order to maintain the provision at Christ Church (rather than moving to Cranham) the most effective way would be to close completely on the following Thursdays: 14th January, 28th January and 11th February. Please contact the school if you will be unable to provide safe care for your child on these three dates. The Remote learning will continue on these days.

Best wishes

Rebecca Slater