

8th January 2021

# Inmans Primary School

#### Dear Parents/Carers.

It is great to see so many children already logging on and posting work. It is clear that children are keen to learn and have embraced the routine on Seesaw/Tapestry. This lockdown is different to the first lockdown and the government expectation of schools is that we provide a robust remote learning offer to all pupils to ensure that they keep the pace and maintain their progress.

The government have clearly stated that schools need to provide (as a minimum)

KS1 (EYFS, Y1, Y2) - 3 hours

KS2 (Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6) - 4 hours

Staff are monitoring and contacting any pupils who are not engaging so we can provide support. If you are aware of any barriers that are preventing your child from accessing remote learning, please contact us and let us try and address them. This situation will last for at least six weeks and so it is crucial that we get every child working on line every day.

## Remote learning from next week

From the week beginning the 11th January, remote learning will fully match the classroom learning. With this letter comes your child's normal timetable for the week. This is just a guide of what will be posted and when. There is no expectation to complete the activities in the sessions indicated. However, you may find it helpful to provide a structure. Some families may prefer to block the work in different ways - there is flexibility. However, the expectation is that the work is completed and uploaded in whichever manner suits you.







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## What to expect

Teachers will post activities linked to the subjects noted on the timetable with learning objectives and provide support as requested/required. They can answer queries via seesaw or tapestry. You can also contact the pod email. Staff will provide support for any children who are finding it difficult for whatever reason to engage with the learning.

Staff will also respond to the children's completed work, offering suggestions or targets to complete.

#### Face to face (online)

#### K52 (Y3 to Y6)

KS2 pupils over the next week will be meeting online at least twice. Y6 and Y5 have already experienced this. However Y3 and Y4 - it will be the first time next week Times to be emailed and posted on Seesaw. We are aware that the online meets may not be at a good time of the day for everyone, so there is no expectation to join in every meet. We would recommend them though where possible, as experience has shown that this helps engage the children and gives them an opportunity to ask questions about their work. They also enjoy seeing each other and the staff. Not only will there be chat, but some games, challenges and of course teaching.

There is a guide to help you and a home school agreement that explains the expectations of the meet, which we ask pupils to adhere to. We will also organise practise meets where needed.

### Face to face (online)

#### EYFS and KS1

EYFS are starting with a recorded story time this week. The week beginning January 11<sup>th</sup> EYFS and KS1 will have online (zoom) story times. Watch out for further details. Times to be emailed and posted on Seesaw and Tapestry. Again, if the timing is not convenient there is no expectation for the children to attend them. However, pupils will get to see each other and their teachers.

## Contacting families

The online meets are an excellent contact point. You may also receive a phone call from a member of staff. You can also request calls if you feel that these would be helpful and help your child/ren.

Ultimately, we want to continue to support our pupils and families during this challenging time. We thank you for your continued support and are looking forward to having all the children back in school as soon as it safe to do so.

Yours faithfully,

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