



5th January 2021

Dear Parents,

Spring Information Letter 3

Firstly, I would like to extend a heart-felt thank you for all of your support over the last few days. We were ready to welcome pupils back after the Christmas break and then found ourselves, along with the rest of the country in a national lockdown. Fortunately, our online learning platform was ready to go and all teaching staff will have set work for your children today.

Provision for Key Workers

We have been delighted to be able to offer provision for the children of critical workers. Reduced staffing levels means that we will have a smaller amount of teachers and support staff in daily. Please follow the Government advice and keep your children home where possible but of course we are here to help those who are described in the guidance as:

'Parents whose work is critical to the coronavirus (COVID-19) response'. Gov.uk Guidance 5th January 2021.

For pupils attending school from tomorrow, we expect pupils to wear school uniform and they will need a packed lunch this week. Innovate will be able to provide packed lunches from Monday 11th January, however these must be ordered online with the usual deadline of Saturday. Please bring your child to school and wait 2m apart on the yellow footprints. ALL pupils must be accompanied by an adult before and after school, even in Years 5 and 6 as we would like the adults to help keep the children 2 meters away from others. Parents must wear a face-covering onsite. As previously make your way round to your child's usual classroom where they will be greeted by a member of staff.

Home Learning

Thank you to my amazing staff team. Once again there has been a tremendous effort made over the past few days to adapt to a new way of working.

The staff have prepared varied and interesting timetables and I have seen all the brilliant learning they have planned for this week. The staff will respond to comments on Seesaw with regard to your child's learning. The reply may not be immediate, as some staff will be based in school, teaching the key worker pupils. However, the staff are keen to find out which lessons work well and to see how the pupils are progressing. Our remote learning provision will ensure that staff:

- set assignments so that pupils have meaningful and ambitious work each day in a number of different subjects
- set work that is of equivalent length to the core teaching pupils would receive in school, and as a minimum: primary: 3 hours a day



- provide frequent, clear explanations of new content, delivered by a teacher or through high-quality curriculum resources or videos
- have systems for checking, at least weekly, whether pupils are engaging with their work, and inform parents immediately where engagement is a concern
- gauge how well pupils are progressing through the curriculum using questions and other suitable tasks, and provide feedback, at least weekly, using digitally facilitated or whole-class feedback where appropriate
- enable teachers to adjust the pace or difficulty of what is being taught in response to questions or assessments, including, where necessary, revising material or simplifying explanations to ensure pupils' understanding.

I will be checking at the end of this week the engagement with the online system and contacting parents accordingly.

If you finish this work, then there are some whole school Learning activities for you to have a go at: Please remember to play *TT Rock Stars* and *NumBots* and log on to *Education City*. Try some PE lessons to keep active.

Wrap Around Care

Unfortunately, both Breakfast Club and After School Club will not be operating at present.³

I will keep in touch regularly throughout the week to keep you informed of what is going on both in NJK and virtual NJK!

Please stay safe and look after yourselves.

Kind regards

Mrs J Dean
Headteacher