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Dear Parents,

Following my letter to you last night, I wanted to write to update you further.

As a result of the government announcement last night, schools are now closed until Friday 12th February 2021 and learning will now move online using Microsoft Teams or Tapestry for our Foundation class. All teachers will be delivering lessons remotely during normal school hours 8:50am-3:15pm. using a blended approach of live lessons, recorded lessons and tasks to be completed independently. If you or your child needs support delivering the learning, please contact your child's teacher during the normal school day, preferably using the chat function on MS Teams or commenting on Tapestry.

Learning during this lockdown will be very different from that implemented previously. Lessons will not be topic/theme based and will, as much as possible, reflect our normal school timetable. Your child's teacher will be contacting you shortly regarding expectations of learning remotely and daily timetables.

During this lockdown, we expect all learning from Monday 11th January to be completed in their normal schoolbooks, which can be collected from school tomorrow (Weds 6th Jan) between 3-4:30pm from the entrance/exit where your child usually enters the building or throughout the day on Thursday 7th Jan (only) from the school office.

If you are a critical worker and it is essential for your child to attend school, please can you complete the Onsite Education Provision form that has been sent out earlier today. These will be sent out fortnightly. Please can children attending school wear school uniform and arrive via the playground (as normal). In order to avoid visitors to the school office during the day, we request that children attend the whole day and are not collected earlier.

Arrangements for those children entitled to Free School meals are currently being finalised and as soon as we know, we will of course let you know.

We appreciate that remote learning is relatively new for all of us, but we are confident that together we can make this closure as successful for you and our children as possible and we are here to help and support you. We are a team!

With very best wishes

Mrs Sarah Jane Tustain
Head teacher