

Highworth Combined School

Dear all

I'm going to keep this brief as I know that you will have a lot to be thinking of today.

Following the Prime Ministers announcement yesterday, the changes to school operation explained on Sunday will remain in place from the start of term tomorrow until after February half term.

We will be able to meet all requests so far received for on site provision. Individual confirmation, along with more details, will follow later today.

For clarification, our Nursery, like the rest of the school will be closed to most pupils. This is because, as explained yesterday, staff across the school have told me they are not able to teach classes in person.

An explanation of how Remote Learning operates is copied below and is also attached. There are no changes from the process many of you used last term during year group closures. Please expect to receive a message each day at 9am detailing the Remote Learning for your child. This will start tomorrow. If you have opted to receive paper based learning, this will be posted first class tomorrow.

Thank you for your patience and understanding whilst we prepare for the changes ahead.

Very best wishes

Clare Pankhania

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As promised, this letter gives further information about the Remote Learning to be provided by Highworth Combined School in the event of any partial or full closure. It will be sent again to parents in relevant year groups whenever a closure is announced. It is also available on the School Website. It is relevant for children in Year groups Reception to 6. Information regarding Remote Learning for Nursery children will follow.

You will know that closure of schools to most from March to July had a worrying impact upon many children across the country. As a result, the Government have made it very clear that schools must provide, and follow up on, rigorous remote learning.

Therefore, in the event of a closure, we will now expect every child to complete some remote learning every day.

Instructions for using Highworth Remote Learning for pupils in year groups Reception to Year 6:

- Wednesday 6th January
 - Paper based learning posted to relevant families OR;
 - Parents sent an Eschools message with links to 3 video lessons on the website for Oak National Academy. Please do the following:
 - Click the link to access the lessons, helping your child to follow the instructions
 - For paper based or web based learning, record work in the exercise book sent home with your child
 - Photograph and then email completed work to relevant year group addresses as follows:

yearr@highworthcombined.co.uk (Reception); year1@highworthcombined.co.uk; year2@highworthcombined.co.uk; year3@highworthcombined.co.uk; year4@highworthcombined.co.uk; year5@highworthcombined.co.uk; year6@highworthcombined.co.uk

- Thursday 7th January onwards:
 - Email sent by teachers to families with brief feedback on each piece of work submitted. Feedback will be: 2 things that have been done well and one thing that could be improved for next time
 - A further Eschools message will be sent with links to the 3 lessons for the current day and the process for Day 3 repeats
 - Log of work received kept by teachers, with calls made to families where no work has been submitted – to reiterate, we will be expecting ALL children to send in work to their teachers.
 - Telephone calls made by school staff to help to solve problems

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Instructions for using Highworth Remote Learning:

- Wednesday 6th January
 - Parents sent an Eschools message with links to the school website
 - Click the link to access 2 suggestions for fun activities for your child
 - If you wish to, you may send a relevant photograph to: yearn@highworthcombined.co.uk
- Thursday 7th January onwards:
 - Email sent by teachers to families with feedback on photographs emailed to us
 - Process continues with 2 new activities sent each day

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