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Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

We hope you are all keeping well. We have missed the normality of school and miss seeing you all as part of our daily routines. As you are aware we have had to make the move back to online learning after the recent Government announcements and have completed our second week of remote education.

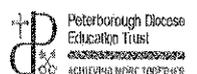
We would like to thank both the staff, for their speedy response and the parents for their patience and flexibility as we all work together to ensure teaching and learning resumes. Our aim, alongside the government expectations, is to provide a more comprehensive remote learning package to your children. Our confidence in our online provision is growing and our provision will continue to evolve.

Next week we will be offering an additional daily, recorded maths session to further support the learning. This will be a brief recording and will model how to use strategies being delivered via White Rose Maths, or fluency skills to further support and enhance your child's learning.

However, we are fully aware that the ability to access and make best use of this provision will depend on your own circumstances. We appreciate that many of you, in order to keep everyone at school safe, are managing to juggle working from home, as well as joining live teaching sessions alongside supporting the home schooling that is being asked of your child. If you are finding all of this overwhelming, we ask that you focus on the English and Maths elements and please let your child's classteacher know. Remember, if a lack of device at home or access to a device is the barrier to learning, please talk to us as we may be able to support you with this. We have been able to support many children with the loan of a school laptop.

In order to support you and make sure everything is well, the classteacher will be making contact with you if your child misses a live teaching session. If your child misses a second session we will continue to contact you to see if there is anything we can do to support you. If you are unable to attend a live session please let your child's classteacher know. Our Pastoral Lead (Mrs Craig) is making regular telephone calls to families as a supportive measure.

Please contact us and let us know if you are having any difficulties or challenges so that we can try to support you and your family. Your child's classteacher should be your first point of contact unless the matter is more serious and requires urgent attention.



Government Expectations

When teaching pupils remotely, we expect schools to:

- 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 in primary: 3/4 hours a day, on average, across the school cohort;
- 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

We thank you for your continued support in keeping us all safe during the current national lockdown.

Mrs Lianna Willis

Headteacher

