



*Learning for Life*

## Fawbert & Barnard's Primary School

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Dear Parents/ Carers

Happy New Year, I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas break.

As promised in my communication sent on Sunday, this is an update for how remote learning or in school learning for vulnerable and critical workers children, will be carried out in school until February half-term.

If your child is ill then please contact the school to let us know, using the usual first day calling procedures. If anyone develops symptoms of COVID-19 please advise the school of their symptoms when the test is booked for and share the test results.

### **Critical Workers Children / Vulnerable Pupils**

Return to school starts on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January. Please use the staggered start and end of day times. Your child/ren will be working in their usual classroom and not in a key worker bubble. All adults are asked to wear face coverings and if you wish your child to do so they should remove them and give them to you before they come into class. They will need to wear school uniform, bring their reading book, snack and water bottle with them. At this time, we are not sure if we will get the EYFS / KS1 fruit each day, so I suggest you send in a snack until this has been clarified.

We continue to ventilate the classrooms, so extra jumpers are advised. If your child does not have a lunch prebooked, they will need to bring their packed lunch too. The children will be accessing the same learning as those who are at home. Any communication with class teachers needs to be via the class email which will be monitored during the day by Teaching Assistants.

There will be limited homework over this time as teachers manage remote learning and face to face learning, but your child should read at home every day.

If your child is ill, then telephone the school before 9 am or email the office on [admin@fawbert-barnards.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@fawbert-barnards.essex.sch.uk)

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## **Remote Learning**

Following our remote learning policy and contingency plan which was shared with you last term (and are on the school website) below are more details about how this will work.

Remote learning starts on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January with registration from 8:30 am. A detailed timetable will be on your class page before the end of today and gives times of virtual meetings and lessons as well as details of other learning. Details of zoom meetings will be shared on the class page for whole class meetings. Each day your child will be welcomed to their learning and a brief outline of the day will be given during registration. The lessons will be detailed on the class page. We have arranged virtual lessons so that they are staggered throughout the day so that those of you who have more than one pupil should be able to share devices. Zoom meetings will open 5 minutes before the lesson starts. If you have any problems, please contact the class email in the first instance. Learning should be independent for children once they are on their zoom meeting or have been told what to do from the class page instructions. The books given out last term can be used for completing work.

Lessons will have clear finish points when work will need to be uploaded to Seesaw or Tapestry this is so that teachers can review the work and change the following lesson to meet the needs of the children. Details will be given during virtual lessons or on the class page. All KS2 pupils should be able to do this independently.

School uniform or suitable clothes should be worn for the lessons, not PJ's. Your child will be given work that they should be able to complete independently or if during a virtual lesson the teacher feels they need more support they will either be asked to stay on the zoom meeting, or a Teaching Assistant will telephone them.

Interventions will continue so there may be some extra zoom meetings for some children and details of these will be emailed out the day before the intervention takes place.

We have arranged for lunchtime to be at the same time for every class so as a family, lunch can be together. Similarly, our assemblies are all at 11:45 am Monday and Friday with an extra one on the 6<sup>th</sup>.

During remote learning, homework will be restricted to reading, ideally their school book but then other books you have at home.

I would like to take this opportunity to ask you to remind your child about online safety.

The following is helpful for both zoom meetings and when sharing work on Seesaw.

- Don't post any personal information **online** – like your address, email address or mobile number.
- Think carefully before posting pictures or videos of yourself. ...
- Keep your privacy settings as high as possible.
- Never give out your passwords.
- Don't befriend people you don't know.

You can find more information about online safety at <https://esafetytraining.org/resources/parents-carers-area/>

I am confident that the remote learning will be more independent this time for your child/ren but look forward to a time when we can all be back together again.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan Spearman". The signature is written in black ink on a light blue rectangular background.

Sue Spearman  
Headteacher