

St Wilfrid's School

Dear Parent/Carer

Monday 28th September 2020

During this concerning time of increasing coronavirus cases locally, I want to advise you of the steps which will be taken in the case of pupil or member of staff testing positive resulting in closure of a class/classes.

- 1. As soon as a positive case is reported, we will consult with our local health protection team. This will inform our decision about which classes may need to close.
- 2. We will let parents know via parent app. that their child should remain at home and provide detailed advice and relevant guidance on a case by case basis.

Because a situation may arise with little or no notice, we would ask that parents keep a close eye on any messages received from school. It would also probably be useful for parents to decide in advance what their childcare options are.

Please see below arrangements for home learning/remote education in the event of your child needing to self-isolate or their class bubble closure due to coronavirus. We aim to provide a rapid response in supporting your child to continue learning at home.

Remote Education (home learning) Plan September 2020

- 1. If your child is absent because they have symptoms of coronavirus or they are unwell for any reason, we would expect them to be resting and not completing school work.
- 2. If your child is absent and awaiting a test (for example, if someone else in the family has symptoms of coronavirus) we will provide them with home learning activities via Google Classroom. These will cover the same learning objectives as the rest of the class in school as closely as possible. As far as is practical, whilst still teaching in school, the class teacher and/or teaching assistant will ensure that they have contact with you/your child during the day either by telephone or comments online.

3. If the teacher and all the class bubble are required to self-isolate, the full learning will switch to Google Classroom and will contain interactive input from the teacher and connection with the rest of the class.

With these possible scenarios in mind it would be very helpful if parents can arrange to have a basic set of stationery on hand e.g. pencils, paper, erasers, ruler etc.

Help with logging on to Google Classroom is likely to be required (especially for younger children) and we would ask that you have an oversight of the day's tasks/timings as set by the class teacher.

All Google Classroom log-ins have been sent home recently. Please ensure that you have these on hand are familiar with the procedure.

Finally, I am sure that you are aware of the ways you can keep your child safe online. Further information for parents can be accessed here: https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/

Best wishes

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