



St Laurence C of E Primary School

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Dear Parents / Carers,

Children are expected to be on Google Classroom for 9.00am to register and find out what they will be doing that day – whether they are in school or working from home. This will be a short, live session and the expectation is that all attend. We appreciate that there will be exceptions, but these will be by arrangement. If you are timetabled to have a live lesson at this time, please log on to this lesson and registration will part of the session.

If children are in school, they are expected to be in school for 9am and should be picked up from the school gates at 3pm.

If you have more than one child learning from home, but are using one device, please still log on to one of the live sessions and that particular teacher will help you.

The expectation is that all children should access learning, every day. We have provided work in several different ways:

- 📺 Staff have recorded videos that will demonstrate how to use particular methods in learning. This should support children and parents. (Maths, phonics and spellings).
- 📺 Staff have recorded videos of themselves reading stories / novels to support reading.
- 📺 Work is provided on Google Classroom that can be accessed each day of the week.
- 📺 Extra work for children who wish to access learning beyond this.
- 📺 Live lessons for all classes. Please see the timetable that has been sent to you or is on your Google Classroom.
- 📺 Links to further learning have been put on Google Classroom.

Children should not be putting work or messages onto Google Classroom late at night or during the early hours of the morning as we hope they are tucked up in bed. This activity will flag concerns to the Teachers.

Staff will respond to work and be able to answer your emails between the hours of 9am and 5pm each week day.

You can also contact the school office. If this is out of hours, please leave a message and your call will be responded to as soon as possible.

SUPPORT

If you are unable to access online learning, you should be receiving Learning Packs.

We will continue to support those that do not have devices at home, so please let us know your circumstances / situation so that we can help out.

Please note that elements of this are all still new to all of us.

The staff at St Laurence fully appreciate that this is difficult for children and parents at home for many different reasons –

Not enough devices

Parents also working from home

More than one sibling trying to use devices

We also fully appreciate that, though parents know their children best, they are not teachers. However, we also REALLY appreciate any support that you do give at home.

We ask that you understand that school staff are also trying their best to facilitate ALL children and ALL learning. At St Laurence, we want to continue to provide the best learning experience we can – even in these difficult times.

Lessons (recorded, live or written work) are all carefully planned so that learning continues to build on prior knowledge. Time is spent recording and resourcing lessons. Work is responded to and marked so that next steps can be planned accordingly. We will continue to build on this through the weeks ahead.

I truly believe that the best thing we can do for our children is to work as a team together and support each other.

If you have concerns, please contact us so that we can work together to sort them out.

Kindest regards, heart-felt thanks and stay safe,

Mrs Barker

Head of School