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Monday 18th January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we begin the third week of remote learning in this current lockdown, I am writing with a few updates.

Free School Meals

For those of you with children eligible for Free School Meals, you should have all received a Tesco voucher covering the last two weeks. From this week onwards, the government have set up the national Edenred system again. This was the system used in the last lockdown so hopefully you are all familiar with this. We believe this to be a better system as it does not restrict you to shopping at Tescos, as all major supermarkets are included. By the end of this week, you will receive your first voucher via email so please check your emails regularly, including your junk folder. I will text you when it has been authorised at our end so you know when to look. These will then be issued regularly, following the same system.

Breakfast

Anyone eligible for Free School Meals can collect fortnightly breakfast bags containing cereal, milk, rice, oats, fresh fruit, beans and bread. These have kindly been donated by School Food Matters in partnership with Guys and St Thomas' Charity Foundation. If you are not eligible for Free School Meals but are struggling at the moment, please contact me and you will also be able to receive a bag. We distributed the first set of these last week so the next one will be the week beginning 25th January. I will text eligible parents when they are ready for collection.

Remote Learning

Thank you so much for your support with the remote learning. We know this is very challenging for families who are trying to juggle work commitments with supporting children with their learning, but we have all been so impressed with the level of work being completed and submitted. We thank you for the overwhelmingly positive feedback and supportive messages that you have been sending us all. I am sure that you will all appreciate that parents have widely differing views on what is the right amount of work we should be setting. We are required by the Department for Education to provide four hours of work a day for Key Stage Two children and a minimum of three hours a day for the rest of the school. We know that for some of you this is too much. Please do not worry if you are unable to complete all of the work as we know you need to balance your children's learning with their (and your) wellbeing. The most important learning to be completed each day in order for your child to not fall behind their peers is the reading, maths and literacy tasks. If you do not have time for the other tasks, or 'assignments', please do not worry, but of course we would love to see it all completed where possible.

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Tablets, laptops and data

We have distributed a large number of devices to families and believe that now everyone has access to a device to complete their work. If this is not the case, please contact me as soon as possible.

Many of the major phone networks are offering free data to help with home learning. Please contact your provider if this is something you need. If you apply it will take the phone company 14 days to send you a text with the details.

EE

You will get 20GB of additional data per month until 31 July 2021. The offer is available to both Pay Monthly and Pay-as-you-go customers

Sky

The recipient will get 100GB of additional data. The offer is only available to Pay Monthly

Smarty

You will get unlimited data until 31 July 2021. The offer is available to Pay Monthly and Pay-as-you-go

Tesco

The recipient will get 20GB of additional data per month until 31 July 2021. The offer is only available to Pay Monthly

Three

You will get unlimited data until 31 July 2021. The offer is available to Pay Monthly and Pay-as-you-go

Virgin

You will get 20GB of additional data per month until 31 July 2021. The offer is only available to Pay Monthly

I hope that you are all keeping well and managing as best you can through this extremely difficult period. As always, if you have any problems please email me at any time headteacher@wtwschool.co.uk or call the school during school hours.

Best Wishes,

Andrew

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