

Dear Saxon Way Families,

We hope you are all well and that you all enjoyed the break. As you may be aware, the government announced yesterday that all Primary Schools and Early Years Settings in Medway will now open fully on **Monday 18 January** instead of **Tuesday 5 January**. This means that we will assume **Remote Learning** for all year groups (including Nursery) from **Tuesday 5 January until their return to school on Monday 18 January**. This return date may change and we will keep you informed as soon as we are given more information.

Children who can attend school as usual

The school will be open, as usual, on **Tuesday 5 January**, for the following groups of children:

- Children of keyworkers/critical workers
- Children with an EHCP
- Children who have been identified for support by the school for a number of other reasons

If you feel your child is a member of any of the above groups and you would like them to attend as usual, please complete the survey (link sent out via text) by 9am Monday 4 January.

The office will be open as usual for telephone queries on Monday 4 January on 0300 065 8400

If you have concerns about your child accessing remote learning, or any other concerns about your child not attending school till Monday 18 January, please email the email address of your child's class or the office office@saxon-way.medway.sch.uk or call the office on Monday on: 0300 065 8400 and your query will be directed to the class teacher.

We know that this news might cause some concern for families and want to ensure you that we are committed to doing all we can to support you and the children during this time so please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries.

Remote Learning

It is important to us that we provide all our children with high quality remote learning and it is also important that we provide a range of ways for you to access this learning. Many of you are working from home and we understand the challenges around that.

Your child's class teacher will contact you with a weekly overview which will keep you informed of all the learning taking place and the different ways that you can access it. They will also provide you with a PowerPoint/PDF guide that includes all the zoom links.

All the information for each Year Group will be emailed to you directly, as well as posted on the class emails. Your child can access learning in a variety of ways at Saxon Way:

- Daily face to face lessons/check ins with their teachers via zoom. Here, they will also get the opportunity to see their classmates too!
- Videos, from a variety of staff covering different subjects. These will be uploaded onto our YouTube Site so you can access them at your convenience.
- All Learning is uploaded onto Class emails - so you can access the lesson content at any time.
- Paper packs for all those who would prefer paper- based learning.

Your child's class teacher will contact you on **Monday 4 January** and will provide you with all the information you need regarding remote learning. We will also contact you when packs are ready for collection.

We hope this letter has answered any questions you might have and as always, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions at all.

Warmest regards,



Angela Sandow,
Head of School

