



Monday 4th January 2021

Spring Term: Start of Term Arrangements

Dear Parents and Carers

Further to my letter on 31st December, I am writing with further details about how school will run during the school closure period:

Key Dates and Times

Monday 4 th January	12pm deadline for key worker families to complete Community Classroom survey with supporting documents sent to me. We will contact vulnerable families directly. Survey: https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=dBTLADSIjUaCn2NuzjLCTNsN54d3ox9GgCyFZJT0ufZUMEVKQIBSOVBUSkswSDVJUU43OUJlSkRTTS4u
Tuesday 5 th January	Additional school inset day By 12pm, Community Classroom places confirmed by email to parents.
Wednesday 6 th January	Remote learning provision begins. Please click on the link below and the 'Remote Learning' drop down tab for further information about our provision: https://arkatwoodprimary.org/remote-learning-0 .
Thursday 7 th January	Community Classroom begins for vulnerable and key worker families running daily from 8.30am to 3.30pm. There is no provision for late collection.
Monday 18 th January	School to reopen. This date may change depending on government guidance.

See Saw

We spent a significant amount of time over the autumn term developing our remote learning model and will now be using the 'See Saw' learning platform to support our provision. Teachers and support staff will post learning activities, in the form of filmed content, tasks etc (in line with our Remote Learning provision - <https://arkatwoodprimary.org/remote-learning-0>) for children to complete and then submit through the same app. School staff give one to one feedback ensuring that children are meeting learning objectives, being supported where misconceptions arise and, most importantly, are continuing to perform at the standard they are capable of.

Most children have been using the See Saw platform during Computing sessions last term and are familiar with how it works. Login details will be sent out to parents by the end of Tuesday. Please download the software ready for Wednesday here (the website also contains further information about See Saw): <https://web.seesaw.me/remote-learning-for-families>

If you have issues accessing the software, please contact your child's teacher who will be able to support.

Classes will also have a weekly PSHE session on Zoom which will provide an opportunity for whole class issues to be discussed as well having a general check in. This session will replace the weekly phone calls that we made last year. However, any children who do not access the PSHE check in, as well as those requiring some additional support, will continue to receive phone calls.

Free School Meals

If you are eligible for Free School Meals, you will receive a food voucher to support you with food costs. The office will organise this next week so please be patient as they look to set everything up.

Finally, the office will be open from 8am to 4pm daily if you have any questions.

Best Wishes

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