



The Priory School

Newsletter

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HEADTEACHER UPDATE

It has been encouraging to see the children trying so hard with their assessments this week, which we will use to ensure that our future planning meets their needs. They really have come back full of enthusiasm.

As expected the impact of lockdown on the children's learning varies enormously, but a picture is emerging that many children are a little rusty with their reading. Even our older children would benefit from daily reading aloud to an adult, until their fluency returns. If your child is reluctant to read, then the following recommended reading lists may be helpful: <https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/>

We recognise that our introduction of online home learning is still a work in progress, but we are preparing the children to complete and return work remotely in case of a further lockdown. Instead of sending a scanned picture of their completed work, we will be encouraging the children to use google docs / slides or classroom. It is obviously a steep learning curve for staff and pupils, so please bear with us over the next few weeks.

Coronavirus Review - Week 2

Following my email during the week, explaining that staff are now wearing face coverings in communal areas and to protect the different bubbles, we are not proposing many other changes.

1. Pick Up Arrangements

The new system is improving but we are going to open the gates at 3pm from Monday 21st September. Children will be released from 3.05 to 3.15pm in order to create a staggered finish. Again, if you are able to arrive at the later times (i.e. 3.10pm), that will really help.

2. Reception Class start and finish times

In order to create a dedicated time for our youngest children, Reception pupils are to arrive at 9am on Monday 21st September and collected at 2.50pm. This will be in place for the next 2 weeks. We apologise for any inconvenience, but it will not be possible to collect older siblings early during this time.

School Mission Statement

"Inspiring a generation to learn, flourish and achieve in a caring, Christian community"