

# **Friezland Primary School**

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### **Friezland Remote Learning and Isolation**

Dear Families,

I am writing to outline the procedures we will follow at Friezland should isolation of a class bubble or a school lockdown occur. In the event of your child being named as a 'contact' and needing to self-isolate, you will initially be informed by text message and a follow-up letter will be emailed to explain the context and your obligation to ensure your child isolates.

#### What is defined as 'a contact'?

Direct contact: Face to face contact (within 1m) with a confirmed case for any length of time.

Proximity contact: Extended close contact (between 1 and 2 metres) with a confirmed case for more than 15 minutes.

Contact must have taken place during the infectious period of the index case which is defined as: 2 full days before the onset of symptoms or the date of test if they don't have symptoms.

An individual identified as 'a contact' is required to self-isolate for 14 days from the last contact that they had with the index case. If they develop symptoms during this time, they must arrange an urgent test for themselves and the result may extend the isolation period.

#### What does isolation mean? What can I do and not do?

If a child has to isolate because their class bubble / other bubble has had a positive case confirmed, they must;

- not leave their home
- not go to school or public places
- not use public transport or use taxis
- not go out to get food and medicine –ask someone else to get this and drop it off or order online
- not have visitors to the home, including friends and family except for people providing essential childcare
- not go out to exercise exercise at home or in your garden if you have one

Should you have issues with childcare due to picking-up and dropping-off a sibling, please call the school office and we can discuss ways to support families in this situation.

Other family members in the household do not need to isolate unless they start to show symptoms, in which case a test should be organised and the rest of the household will need to isolate for 14 days.

## Remote Learning via Google Classroom

In the event of a class bubble being sent home, and the class teacher is fit and well, we are expecting children to be able to access Google Classroom in order to continue their learning as closely as possible as they would in school.

The class teacher will provide immediate remote education which is linked to the school's curriculum and pupil's year group expectations. This will be a series of activities for each day. The children will have learning to do either with the assistance of an adult supervising them at home or independently depending on their age and ability. Teachers will direct children to















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professional videos for the teaching of specific aspects of the curriculum such as phonics, maths or grammar. Teachers will endeavour to differentiate to the needs and abilities of the pupils in their class, as they would in the classroom.

Our aim is that children will not require printed sheets to complete their home learning. However, if you need printed resources during this time, please contact the class teacher through Google Classroom, or the school office, and we will arrange for paper packs to be collected – whilst adhering to Covid/isolation restrictions. Every child has already received an exercise book which they can use to record home learning which isn't online.

Home learning during bubble-isolation will also include an element of virtual face-to-face contact for children with their class teacher. This may include pre-recorded videos of the teacher explaining methods, modelling how to do work, or reading to the children, as would happen in the classroom. It will also include timetabled opportunities to meet virtually with their class teacher, via Zoom, during the course of the isolation period. This information will be clearly communicated through their Google Classroom. During the period of the bubble-isolation, the class teacher will respond to the children's learning and give regular feedback throughout the day as they submit their work.

#### **Household Isolation**

In the event that your child has to isolate independently of their class, remote learning should still be accessed. However, as the class teacher is likely to be working with the rest of the class when we receive this information, they will contact you and your child, as soon as they possibly can. Until that time, there are always learning activities that can be accessed: spellings, reading, Times Table Rockstars, Mathletics, Purple Mash and the Class 3 & 4 Home Learning Challenges. The class teacher will upload a selection of activities for your child to complete at home, with the aim of covering the key objectives of the Maths and English lessons which are being taught in school. The class teacher will respond to the children's submitted work via Google Classroom at a convenient time, whilst they are also responsible for the class in school.

If any child is unwell they are not expected to access remote learning until they feel fit to learn. In the event of the class teacher being unwell, school will communicate the alternative arrangements and the person leading the learning will make contact through Google Classroom.

## What do we need from you?

- Ensure your child is able to access Google Classroom in the event of a year group isolation period or school lockdown please contact school if this is a problem and we will endeavour to support you.
- If instructed to isolate, follow the procedures outlined above
- Ensure your contact details are up-to-date
- Do not send your child into school if they are unwell

You can find further information regarding our 'Remote Learning' Policy on our school website, under the 'COVID 19 Key Information' tab.

Many thanks for your ongoing support through these unprecedented times. Kind regards,

Miss Rachael Swaby (Headteacher)











