

Motcombe School



Motcombe Learning from Home Policy January 2021



This information is intended to provide clarity and transparency for families about what to expect when learning from home where national or local restrictions require entire cohorts (or bubbles) to remain at home. We have planned for the children learning from home to have the same curriculum as they would if they were in school.

The plans for the children who will be learning from home are as follows:

- There is a video from Mrs Robinson for families to explain how best to approach learning from home, to explain our expectations for learning from home and to explain how Teachers will be responding to children's' learning. Please click on the link to see <https://youtu.be/im1nL7rlc-M>
- The school will be offering the same learning to children at home and at school. In school with a Class Teacher this will take approximately 5 hours per day but please be aware that a child learning on their own may need less time to complete a lesson than a whole class of children.
- Class Teachers in Y1 and Y2 will be recording their lessons, which families can access at a time that fits around their personal timetables; we are aware that parents may be working from home themselves and there may be siblings at home also accessing learning from home from different schools. These lessons will also be available on the school's website each day.
- In FS some lessons will be recorded and children can access them from home and some lessons will be set as challenges. All of this in FS will be communicated via Tapestry in the usual way. In KS1 phonics/spelling, reading, writing and maths will be recorded lessons and children can access these from home. Each subject will be taught by the same Teacher on a weekly basis. We will also be directing parents to Oxford Owls for independent reading.
- The 'pick and mix' home learning grid will be sent each week which offers activities for the foundation subjects in KS1.

- A weekly video message will be sent by each Teacher every Monday morning via either Tapestry for children in the Foundation Stage and via Class DoJo for children in Y1 and Y2. For the rest of the week Class Teachers will send a written message to families explaining the plan for the day and providing the link to today's recorded lessons.
- Families will upload the home learning onto Tapestry or Class Dojo for Teachers to respond. Teachers will respond to these posts between 8.00am and 4.00pm, Monday to Friday with either a written comment, a 'like', a thumbs up or by rewarding with a DoJo.
- Thrive activities will be provided to families and Mrs Sayers will explain this in a video message. Weekly Thrive activities and weekly Music activities will also be sent home to families.
- Learning resource packs have been put together and families are welcome to collect them from school if they are out for shopping or their daily exercise.
- Mrs Robinson will be recording a weekly story for children in the Foundation Stage and one for children in Y1 and Y2. These sessions will include celebrating learning and one child from each class will be awarded a 'Green Butterfly' which is part of our usual practice when we are all in school. These butterflies will be displayed in school as normal and will be handed to children who are learning in school and will be posted to children who are learning from home.
- Teachers will check to see if there are any families who have not accessed the learning from either Tapestry or Class DoJo and will make a weekly phone call to check that all is well. Families who are unable to access learning online will be offered a place at school.
- In our weekly newsletter we will be sharing useful websites for families should they wish to investigate these at home.