

Junior Online Learning Update – 13.1.21

We appreciate you communicating your thoughts with us at this time.

- We are always reviewing our provision continually
- We are reviewing our staffing rotas/key worker group to ensure teachers have optimal time to plan and deliver effective remote teaching to all our pupils
- We have teacher pre-recorded videos and will monitor how this goes
- We are monitoring the work that children are able to do at home - as we would in class; we adapt things according to the learning outcomes.

We are talking to schools locally and nationally to understand their remote learning offers - it seems every school has very different offers, depending on their circumstances. All schools want to maximise opportunities for pupils to access learning - families have such different circumstances, even within our small community, and we need to reflect on what will work best for us.

Update

Having met with our teachers yesterday, there does seem to be a general consensus that, for the majority of our children, Google Classroom is an effective way of setting work and giving feedback.

We are looking to increase our 'Zooms' to twice daily. Our aim is to have the whole class 'on' in the morning (for whole class input) and two smaller groups in the afternoon (to answer questions from morning work/check in). The majority of main learning will be accessed through recorded inputs and on Google Classroom. Recorded inputs, for now, will be kept as a mix of class teachers and those from other national initiatives such as Oak Academy and White Rose Maths.

We hope this answers some your questions and makes it clear that we are giving this a tremendous amount of thought and want (as close to) an equitable and accessible remote learning offer for all. We also realise that the juggle of a home, a job, parenting *and* home-schooling in a global pandemic feels an impossible task at times.

We hope our families continue to stay safe and healthy.

Mrs Medcalf and Mrs Castell