LEIGH

Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I'm extremely grateful to all of you who continue to assist us with online learning at home. It's been another busy week on Tapestry and Google Classrooms and it's been wonderful to see everything that the children have been up to. If you or your child are struggling with online learning at home then please do contact your child's class teacher for support and if you do not have the appropriate computer equipment, please do contact us at school and we will assist you.

We have decided to make some small changes to our online learning provision. As you may know, we have started posting the work set on the previous evening so that parents and carers can prepare for the following day; we hope that this is proving to be useful. If the children are using Google Classrooms each day then we would like to see some interaction from them at some point during the day. This might take the form of a comment on the Stream or by uploading some work that they have completed. If we do not hear from the children throughout the day then, on the following day, we will be in touch with you just to check everything is fine at home. Please note that this will not happen if the children are attending school. We will also be organising one live session a week between the children in the class via Zoom or Google Class Meet and **you will need to give consent for this via 'Zoom Acceptable Use' section on the Parent Portal in Arbor.** Please note that if you do not give consent for this to happen then we will be unable to facilitate these sessions. Further details will be sent out by class teachers when appropriate.

At the moment we have around 20% of the school population attending each day which is slightly above the county average for primary schools at the current time. Please note that when possible you should keep your children at home if you are a Key Worker to ensure we can cater effectively for all those families who rely on this service; thank you for your co-operation with this matter. Unfortunately we are unable to offer cooked lunches at this current time for those children attending school but PE lessons on a Tuesday and Forest School sessions on a Friday will continue as usual.

If your child qualifies for Free School Meals then vouchers have been sent directly to you this week. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have not received these vouchers or have any questions regarding them.

I've been made aware that the NHS are offering online therapy for those adults or families who may need more professional support throughout this really difficult time. CBT is proven to be effective at treating anxiety, stress and depression and many more mental health issues. If you are interested in receiving support the further information and details can be found by clicking on the following link: https://www.iesohealth.com/en-gb

Please don't forget that we are happy to swap over reading books. We have cleared the Lost Property Container and ask that you drop your child's reading books off in a plastic bag or wallet along with their reading record if they have one. We will then collect the books at 10am each morning and deposit the new books back into the Lost Property Container by 4pm that afternoon for you to collect. If your child is a free reader and not on our reading scheme then please do let me know what type of book your child would like to read next and I will do my best to find a book that will interest them.

If you have something confidential you wish to discuss with your child's class teacher then please do feel free to email them and their email addresses can be found at the end of this letter. In addition to this we have two members of staff who have particular responsibilities for specific groups of children. Mrs Brown (SENCO) and Mrs Pearson (Pupil Welfare Leader) work with individual children for a wide range of reasons and, if your child works with either of these members of staff, please do feel free to contact them should you need guidance or advice.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend break.

Many thanks and best wishes,

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