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Headteacher's news: school closure week 2

2021 has just got to get better! I can't remember a period of time in my teaching career that have been as challenging as these past 2 weeks.

A large snow fall always brings excitement but it is also riddled with stress - especially at a time when critical workers need to be in work more than ever. Thank you for your support this week.

Take care and stay safe.



Miss Burrows in Reception has challenged the rest of her class to build a snowman and video themselves reading a book to the snowman they have built. What a lovely idea!

Home Learning By 25 January, schools are required to publish information on their website providing clarity and transparency to pupils and parents about what to expect from remote education. This document is currently being drafted and the current school closure is forcing us to work through this offer in real time. The feedback we are receiving from you - direct or indirectly - is proving useful and hopefully this document will accurately reflect what we are doing whilst adhering to statutory expectations.

This week, teachers have been using Teams to meet with groups of children. This element of home learning is called Live Streaming. Live Streaming could also be used for teaching or live lessons and some 1:1 sessions have already been used effectively in this way. There is no statutory requirement to deliver live lessons as recorded teaching is an alternative. However, there is a requirement to have these [Live Streaming Guidelines](#) so please make sure that you and your children have read this information.

Home learning for next week will be on Tapestry and/or on your child's class blog. Click on the links below to see a message from the class teacher and find the work. You will need to use a laptop or PC to be able to download the resources. Children can access the blogs from class pages on the website. The more we develop the use of Teams, the less resources will be on the blogs. Some families are ready to do the vast majority of work on Teams now where as others are not. As a school we need to be mindful of this. We also do not want to lose the 'paper-pen' elements of work so a balance of both will continue to occur.

[Nursery](#) [Reception](#) [Y1 Pear](#) [Y1/2 Lime](#) [Y2 Cherry](#)

[Y3 Willow](#) [Y3/4 Cedar](#) [Y4 Beech](#)

[Y5 Oak](#) [Y5/6 Ash](#) [Y6 Maple](#)

Free School Meals - children learning

from home: A weekly food parcel will be available to collect every Monday from 12:00. The contents of the bag was not adequate this week and I have been assured that it will be in line with [LACA](#) and DfE guidelines from now on.



Coronavirus: How to keep children healthy, happy, learning and entertained at home

Please click on the link below to access a free e-copy of Family First magazine, packed full of information to help keep children happy, learning & entertained at home during lockdown.

<https://issuu.com/sevenstarmedia/docs/>



Reminder: printed home learning

If you would like home learning packs to be printed, please email your class teachers and we will get these ready to be collected from the main office from 10:00 onwards on Monday. We will also receive any completed work for marking at this time too. An alternative way to get feedback is to photograph and email completed work to teachers.

Teams - VIDEO SUPPORT

Please help your child to login to Teams. This will become an important part of supporting home learning over the coming weeks. There is a video on the website to help support you navigate through Teams. Click on [this video link](#) to take you to where the video is saved on the website.

