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Dear Year 1 & 2 Parents and Carers

Thank you for your support this week in these trying circumstances. We now have our systems up and running for live lessons and remote learning.

Here is the schedule for when live lessons will take place across the week. In addition to these whole class sessions, the teachers will invite your child to join reading groups and possibly some one to one meets.

Year 1daily lessons at 11am and 2pm; assembly with Mrs Greenwood at 1pm on Tuesdays; Birthday assembly with Miss White at 1pm on Thursdays.

Year 2daily lessons at 9.30am and 1.30pm; assembly with Mrs Greenwood at 1pm on Wednesdays; Birthday assembly with Miss White at 1pm on Thursdays.

Please bear in mind that teachers are having to manage this home learning offer whilst also over-seeing the learning for children in school. The technology is new to most of us, and not entirely reliable, so please bear with us if things are not quite as smooth as we would like. Some live lessons will be recorded and the link posted on the classwork page if you can't participate at the scheduled time. If you do not wish your child to be seen on the recording please ensure your camera is switched off.

Here are some top tips for joining live lessons from home:

1. The link will be posted on Google classroom around 15 minutes before the lesson. You may need to refresh the screen to see the link after it is posted.
2. Be ready for the lesson with learning pack, paper and pencil, word cards etc.
3. Make sure that your child knows how to mute their microphone. They should only unmute when the teacher asks them to say something. They should know how to use the hands up button.
4. Make sure they know how to end the call at the end of the session.
5. Children in school are used to working independently, so don't jump in too soon to offer help with spellings etc. Some thinking time is important. We teach the children that we learn from our mistakes, so don't expect work to be perfect!
6. If your child is asked to 'turn in' work, please save and attach as a pdf file. There will only be a minimal amount of work required to be turned in, however we will be pleased to see anything that your child would like to share with us.
7. If, as a parent, you need to ask the teacher a question please email them directly on the following addresses:

h.wilson@alverstone-inf.hants.sch.uk
f.osborn@alverstone-inf.hants.sch.uk
c.bainbridge@alverstone-inf.hants.sch.uk
c.rowland@alverstone-inf.hants.sch.uk
h.griffiths@alverstone-inf.hants.sch.uk

Home learning does not suit all children. Please don't worry if your child does not want to join a live lesson or has an 'off' day. Please let the teacher know if you are concerned about any aspect of remote education.

If you would like to contact our Child and Family Support Worker about your child's behaviour or well-being, please email: d.mcewan@alverstone-inf.hants.sch.uk

Help is available if you pay for data usage for home learning. Please contact the school office for more information about this.

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We now have around 50% of the children coming into school as children of critical key workers or vulnerable. Please only request a place if it is strictly necessary. We are happy for children to wear tracksuits and trainers (with schools sweatshirts or cardigans) as there may be additional opportunities for outdoor learning and PE. There will be an outdoor PE lesson every Thursday for children in school.

Remember that the children follow a sequence of learning through the week, so it is important that they join live lessons and complete work on the days that they are at home.

Yours sincerely



S Greenwood
Headteacher