



# Coddington C of E Primary and Nursery School

Thursday 14 January 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

Thank you to those of you who took part in the zoom call yesterday. Here are the main themes that cropped up and our responses:

## **Can we have work organised on the google drive by day please?**

We are looking at this as a staff to build a more consistent and intuitive structure that is the same for all year groups. This way it should be far quicker and easier to find the files and resources that you need for the remote learning.

## **Can we have more live zoom lessons?**

We feel that the two that we have currently are working well. We have plans to further develop the morning session to help guide parents and children about what is expected that day. There will also be a chance for children to stay on to discuss problems in home learning from the day before.

## **Can we have less Zoom sessions please?**

We ask that children attend the morning zoom session, as this is an important chance to set the expectations for the day. If they want to attend some or all of the afternoon story sessions this is something they can do, but do not have to.

## **Thank you, the work is more organised this time.**

The staff have spent a lot of time and hard work preparing the resources and matching it much more closely to the curriculum. Last lockdown this was new for everyone but we now know what we are facing and are in a much better place to support the learning for all children.

## **The recorded lessons are great, but can we have more?**

Again, this is something that the staff are working incredibly hard on. They are getting to grips with the software. We hope to expand the number and range of recorded lessons though we will not be able to record every session in a day.

## **What are the expectations on parents?**

We ask that you engage with some of the work and communicate with us. Where there are struggles or difficulty, please talk to us so we can look at how best to help you.

## **Can we have a clear plan for each day (Learning log/daily journal)?**

This is something we are looking at. We are already planning to give the morning zoom more structure. We are also looking at how we can implement a learning log across the year groups though we are not sure what this would look like just yet.

### **Recorded lessons are better than worksheets.**

We agree! They can be paused, rewound and watched again. While some writing may need to be done, this could be in a book or plain paper. Worksheets do not always teach but are more a tool for checking learning.

### **Can we have worksheets?**

We are not currently offering a printing service, due to the large amounts of work that was printed and uncollected before. This was a large cost to the school in terms of paper, ink and staff time. Where parents have no other option, we may look to offer this with a nominal cost per page to cover the paper, ink and time to print them.

### **Can we have some CORE (must complete) task and some optional extension tasks?**

This will be explained on your morning zoom each day. Remember that there are a number of great websites that you can use to extend learning including Oak Academy, BBC, TT Rockstars and Purple Mash.

### **We love that we can submit work via Dojo.**

We love it too! It is so fantastic to see the work pinging up in the portfolios. We really like that it helps us to engage and communicate directly with families too.

### **Can we have a parent zoom each week?**

Mr Head is looking to hold more parent sessions, but not every week. He will share with you the dates and times as well as the topics to be covered. Each meeting will have a specific focus.

### **Can we have the links separately as we cannot click on the videos?**

We recognise that this is something that we need to change. Sadly, when you change a PowerPoint into a video you lose the ability to click. We will try to make sure that all links are sent separately for you.

### **We are struggling with the google drive and zoom; can you produce some help guides?**

We will make some videos to send out.

Finally – For those of you who English is your second language, there is a very nice option in Dojo where you can use the app/website in your first language and it will translate any messages or comments both ways.

Thank you for your ongoing support

Kind regards



Mr Head  
Acting Head Teacher



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