



Monday 20th April, 2020

Summer Term Distance Teaching and Learning

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you have enjoyed a safe and happy, albeit very different, Easter break.

Last week's government announcement confirmed that the UK will continue to be in 'lockdown' for at least the next three weeks. Schools will remain closed, to the majority of pupils, during this time. Staff will continue to support the teaching and learning of pupils for the duration of the closure and we would like to inform parents of a few changes to our provision.

Home learning or schooling is a very different way of educating your child that has become the new norm, for most families across the country. With this change, there have been hundreds of websites and on-line resources made available to parents, to support their children during the closure. Whilst we recognise the value and quality of many of these resources, we feel that it is important to work closely with parents to personalise the teaching and learning for the pupils at Bowmansgreen, especially now we know that schools will remain closed for the next three weeks, at least.

From next week, teachers will be providing daily lessons and activities as part of a curriculum of distance teaching and learning. We will try, as far as is possible and practical, to tailor the teaching to the needs of individual classes. Unfortunately, we cannot differentiate the lessons and activities to meet the needs of individual pupils in the same way that we would during face-to-face teaching, which we hope that you will appreciate and understand.

Most of the distance teaching will be delivered through videos, published via our school website. Please ensure that we have your up to date email address and that you have downloaded the Bowmansgreen app (this is different to Schoolcomms) as this will be the means by which we will notify parents of new lessons, when they are available.

In the meantime, your child's new Home Learning grid, for this half term, is now available on the school website (Learning – Home Learning). Tomorrow, you will receive some additional guidance relating to common 'next steps,' specific to your child's class. You can use these resources to support and supplement your child's learning in the core subjects, alongside the daily lessons.

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Please read the accompanying letters about how to access some new core resources and activities that we will be using, on a regular basis, to support learning in specific subjects.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to support your child's learning at home.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A Lippa', written in a cursive style.

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