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De Lacy Primary School

Newsletter

"Working together as a community to enable all our children to develop as responsible citizens."

Friday 15th January 2021

It has been a brilliant week with lots of children working hard, either remotely from home or in school. The discussions I've seen take place online and the work produced has been fantastic! I applaud all the parents who ensure their children are online and attending lessons on time! Your support is very much appreciated!

Remote Learning

For the time being, our remote learning is the new platform for children to continue their education whilst in a national lockdown. As mentioned previously, my expectation is that 100% of pupils who are not in school, attend our remote lessons so that they don't miss out on vital learning of subjects they would normally do in school. We are supporting parents as much as we can to ensure that children are online. Please support us by ensuring:

- The device your child uses to attend remotely is fully charged and ready to be used.
- You log your child online 5 minutes before the session starts so they can begin their holding task whilst the rest of the class join.
- Your camera is switched on so that the teacher can identify who is attending the session.
- Your microphone is muted so that the teacher can communicate with the class clearly.
- All work completed is submitted onto class Dojo for their teacher to mark and direct further learning.



Again, thank you for your continuous support in ensuring our children receive the best possible education whilst in this current global situation.

Remote Learning Video tutorial

If you continue to struggle to access the remote learning sessions, why not watch our self-help video as created by our very own Mr Shuttleworth. This can be accessed via our school Facebook page. Hopefully this may help, but if you continue to have any issues please contact school on 01977 722620.

Weekly telephone calls

The feedback from parents about our weekly teacher calls has been really positive and I'm glad the children benefit from a quick catch up with their teacher. As we continue through this period of time, the calls will continue. If your child has any problems with the learning or don't understand something, this is a brilliant time to raise this and the teachers will be happy to help! The calls may appear from a withheld or private number – please accept our calls as we can't wait to catch up with your children.

Twitter

You may not know, but De Lacy Primary School has an active twitter page. We show lots of brilliant things going on in our school. We also share lots of content that can support you at home. Please take a moment to log onto twitter and follow us on @DeLacyPrimary.



Free School Meals

The Trust has recognised that collecting hampers from school was not an ideal solution and have been reviewing alternative methods of providing food to children who are entitled to a free school meal. From next week you will be receiving a supermarket voucher, by email, to the value of £15 per child. You will be provided with a £30 supermarket voucher every 2 weeks for each child who is entitled to FSM. I sincerely hope this makes things easier for you in the forthcoming weeks.

The supermarkets where vouchers can be redeemed include;

- Aldi
- Asda
- Morrisons
- M&S
- Sainsburys
- Tesco
- Waitrose

You will receive a voucher code from selectcode@select-your-reward.co.uk by email. Should you experience any issues receiving the code please contact the school on 01977 722620 or email admin@delacy.patrust.org.uk

Online Learning Week Commencing 18 January

The weekly timetable packs, with resources for learning activities, will be provided to you in the following manner;

- Class DoJo
- School Website
- Parent Mail

The links to the live learning lessons with class teachers will be provided to you via;

- Class DoJo
- Parent Mail

We will ensure once again that these are easy to access via 'single clicks links' or 'tinyurls' that can be typed into your browser search bar.

You can access the live learning sessions through all of the following devices;

- PC/standalone computer
- Laptop
- Mobile Phone
- Play Station
- X-Box
- Nintendo Switch
- iPad

Home support and homework

The learning journey of each child can only be successful with a productive partnership between home and school. You can help by:

- Listening to your child read at least 4 times a week. Ask questions about what you have read together, can they retrieve and use information they have just read?
- Help them with their timetables and the fundamentals of adding, subtracting, dividing and multiplying numbers.
- Ensure they complete their homework or spellings they may have to learn that week.
- Discuss what they are learning in school – is there any way they can continue to learn topics at home

We appreciate all the support you can give at home!

Thank you for your continued support, I look forward to seeing you all soon!

Mr J Parkinson

Headteacher