Brabourne Church of England Primary School

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Headteacher: Mr Andrew Stapley

2nd January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

PROVSION FROM 4th JANUARY 2021

Following on from my last letter, I am writing with more details concerning the closure of Ashford schools from the beginning of Term 3. The details below will take effect from **Monday 4**th **January 2021**.

Thank you for all of the prompt replies regarding places for vulnerable pupils and pupils of key worker parents, which were greatly appreciated.

Key worker/vulnerable pupils

The school will remain open for these key pupils from Monday 4th January.

We will be forming two Key Worker 'bubbles':

Bubble A - Early Years/KS1 (Years R,1,2).

Bubble B - KS2 (Years 3,4,5,6).

Bubble A pupils/parents should line up down the side of the school (by the garden) and enter/be collected via the hall door. Lessons will take place in Venus Class.

Bubble B pupils/parents should line up by the main school gate (next to the hedge) and enter/ be collected via the Jupiter classroom door. Lessons will take place in Jupiter Class.

Parents/Carers should exit through the one way system as usual and maintain a 2 metre distance when waiting to drop off/collect children.

The school will be open from **8.40am-3.15pm**.

Before and after school clubs will not take place at this time.

Pupils will complete the same work as other pupils at home, set by their class teachers on Tapestry or Seesaw, with guidance from staff.

Pupils should bring a packed lunch to school, as the school kitchen will be closed for this period. It would also be helpful if the children could bring in a named pencil case (pencil, pen, ruler, rubber, colouring pencils etc.) if at all possible. They also need to bring in a named bottle of water as usual.

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Please ensure that that the children are not showing any symptoms of Covid-19 before they attend school. https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/

Should any pupil or staff member be tested positive, the 'bubble' will be asked to self-isolate at home.

The Government will review its decision on school closures by the 18th January 2021. Should the government decide that all pupils can return, pupils in the key worker 'bubble' will re-join their usual classes, as was the case before Christmas and the usual school day will resume.

Please take the time to explain to your children that the school day will be different to their usual day. We will do everything we can to ensure that your children are supported during this period of change.

Home learning provision

Home learning will be live from Monday 4th January on Tapestry (Year R, Year 1,2) and Seesaw (Year 3,4,5,6). Please ensure that you have the up to date log in for these sites. We will be providing full curriculum coverage (as the children would receive on a normal day in school). This will include at least 3 hours of learning per day.

As ever, I appreciate the many challenges for individual families, but I would strongly advise, as a minimum, that pupils complete the English and Maths lessons each day. This will ensure that the good progress and catch up made since September can continue. Teachers will be providing feedback to pupils on a regular basis.

I have included a list of the teachers' emails below should you have any difficulty logging onto these sites to access the work provided.

Venus - swinchester@brabourne.kent.sch.uk

Mars - nmiller@brabourne.kent.sch.uk

Neptune – ctaylor@brabourne.kent.sch.uk

Jupiter – <u>dunsworth@brabourne.kent.sch.uk</u>

If you have difficulty accessing technology at home, or have any other queries, please email me directly headteacher@brabourne.kent.sch.uk.

I fully appreciate the disruption that the Government's decision will have again brought to you and your families. We remain here to support in any way we can, so please do not hesitate to contact us if you need further support or guidance.

I will be sure to keep you informed of any further information, including provision for Pupil Premium/free school meal pupils, as soon as I receive it from government.

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