



Frimley Church of England Junior School

21st January 2021

Dear Parents/ carers,

I just wanted to start by passing on thanks from all of the staff here to your children. They are just being amazing: they are engaging so well with their learning, whether in school or at home, and the teaches have reported to me that that they have all been so wonderful and enthusiastic during their 'live' lessons too so a huge thanks to all of you for supporting them with this, it really is appreciated by all of us. I know lots of you are having to work hard to juggle home learning alongside your own jobs and we really do thank you for working with us on this.

Just a couple of bits to share with you this week:

Firstly, I have updated our Risk Assessment to include our remote learning offer for those children at home and this has been uploaded onto our website if you did want to have a look.... I'm sure you've all got plenty of time on your hands right now for a little light reading!! These documents are updated regularly to reflect any changes (however small) we make to our practise and can all be found on our website: school information – COVID19.

Secondly, as you may have seen on the news and on social media, testing is going to start for all primary school staff next week. All staff will be tested twice a week because statistics have shown that 1 in 3 people with COVID have no symptoms. By testing staff on a regular basis, we will hopefully be able to minimise contacts between children and asymptomatic staff. We see this as a positive step forward towards reopening schools. Although this starts next Monday, we still haven't received full guidance from the Government yet so once we have this I will of course add this to our Risk Assessment and upload onto the website. What it does mean though, is that if we do have any staff who test positive then this is very likely to have an impact on in-school bubbles and live teaching which may have to close or be cancelled at the very last minute. We can only continue to offer the bubbles teaching in school if staff have a negative test result and likewise we might have to cancel live lessons if teachers are unavailable. Therefore, I urge you to please check your email regularly in order to be forewarned of any changes. If your child is currently attending school, please do check your emails daily before your journey to school in case we've had to close your child's bubble. We will aim to inform you as quickly as possible of any changes. Thank you as always for understanding.

We have been asked to share the Jan/Feb issue of Families magazine with you. This issue includes lots of content to help families during lockdown including activities you can do at home, a huge range of online classes, resources to support a family's mental health and lots more.

https://issuu.com/familiesonline/docs/families_surrey_west_jan_feb_2021?fr=sN2MyZDI2NzAzMjE

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Thanks as always for all your support, patience and understanding.

Kind regards and stay safe,

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