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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have prepared for the national lockdown by setting up our remote learning system. We have attached a timetable of what will be available on Google Classroom for pupils in Year 1 to Year 6. Reception guidance will be sent in a separate letter.

School will only be open to those pupils who are considered children of critical workers or vulnerable children as set out by the government guidance. These pupils will be supervised primarily by teaching assistants and will access the same remote learning as their peers.

Pupils in Year 1 to Year 6 at home will receive:

- Access to learning uploaded by the class teacher for children to complete between the sessions via Google Classroom.
- Face to face sessions throughout the day on Zoom – which will be planned and delivered by the class teacher daily. The link to these will be put on Google Classroom and all sessions will be recorded and then posted in the live stream on Google Classroom.
- Instant messaging with the class teacher when they are not live between 9-3.00pm.

Pupils in Reception at home will receive:

- Remote learning via Zoom and Tapestry. More information will be sent in a separate letter.

Please remember these important rules online:

- Pupils should be dressed appropriately for learning.
- Pupils should be in a communal area and not their bedroom.
- Pupils should behave as if they are in the classroom.
- If you have headphones, pupils should use these.
- Pupils need regular breaks away from the screen, they should not sit at the computer all day.
- Pupils are expected to have a lunchbreak, staff will be unavailable between 12pm-1pm.
- Please encourage your children to do their best work. In Key Stage One, children need to complete their work using a writing pencil and in Key Stage Two, they can use a handwriting pen if they have their pen licence.



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We shall monitor the homelearning and may need to make adjustments to the timetable or other elements depending on the logistics. You can email homelearning@stjosephsotley.org if you have any further questions.

We understand that these are challenging times for everyone and we appreciate your support. We are here for you if you need us. Thank you for your continued understanding.

Yours sincerely

Miss Choma & Mrs Harvey
Acting Headteacher & Acting Deputy Headteacher