



Thursday 31st December 2020

Dear parents,

I am writing to you in the light of yesterday's government announcement regarding schools. As you will be aware schools in Maidstone are to remain closed apart from the pupils of key worker parents and for vulnerable pupils. All other pupils will be able to access lessons via google classroom for 4 hours a day.

Attending school

If either of the parents with whom your child lives with are key workers then your child can attend school and you have no other child care. As in the spring we will be working from Kingswood primary school only with staff on a rota. If your child has an EHCP they can attend or if your family has a social worker supporting them.

Please see attached guidance re key workers to see if you qualify for a place at school for your child.

If your child normally attends breakfast club the school will be open from 8am. Please only bring your child for 8am if they normally attend breakfast club at Leeds or Kingswood

All other children should attend at 9am. All children and staff will be having their temperature checked before they enter the main building. Parents MUST wait with their child whilst we check their temperature. If it is 38C or above they must be taken home to self isolate and cannot return to school until they have had a test.

Bubble 1 - years R-2, Bubble 2 - years 3-6

Timings of the Day

8am - 9am - before school childcare - to be run as two separate bubbles

9- 10am - teaching via google classroom - maths

10- 10.15am - bubble one break

10.30-10.45am - bubble two break

(whilst not at break pupils can engage in craft/ games/ colouring)

10.45- 11.45 - teaching via google classroom - English - reading, writing, phonics/ gps

11.45- 12.15 - craft/ games/ PE activities

12.15 - 1.15pm lunch time - bubble one eat then play, bubble two play then eat

1.15- 3.15pm - teaching via google classroom - topic/ science/ creative

3.15pm - 3.30pm - bubble 1 pick up

3.30- 3.45pm - bubble 2 pick up

Remote education - home learning

Children who are learning at home can access google classroom for 4 hours a day.

Lesson 1 - maths - 9-10am

Lesson 2 - English - 10.45- 11.45am

Lesson 3 - topic/ science/creative - 1.15- 3.15pm

Please encourage your child to play/ run around/ relax in between planned sessions.

The children will be accessing the google classroom with their normal teacher - who may be in school or at home. If she or he is in school please bear with them as they will also have children in the classroom to supervise.

Lunches

Pupils can bring a packed lunch or can have a school dinner on site at Kingswood. Children who normally have a free school meal can have this at Kingswood. Please send dinner money in with your child.

Uniform

There is no need for children to wear uniforms, please make sure they are comfortable and warm as windows will be open. If your child has an ASPIRE hoody

or T shirt from the summer these can be worn. Please ensure footwear is suitable for playing outside. Clothes should also be suitable for PE if possible. Leggings, tracksuit bottoms etc are ideal. Please ensure your child has a coat and a water bottle.

Requesting a place at school

Please complete the online form below, to register your child/childrens places in school.

<https://forms.gle/kNrCsEpVFdYfXHrq5>

This form needs to be completed by Saturday 2nd January 5pm, so that I have time to compile registers etc.

The attached permission forms will also need to be completed and either emailed to me at exechead@aspire-kent.org.uk or printed and taken to Kingswood on Monday 4th January. Your child will not be able to stay at school without a form.

Other information

With this letter you will find attached to the email the guidance sent to staff, the rota of staff so you can discuss with your child the staff they will know in school each week, the key worker definition list and the permission forms

Contact and questions

If you have questions before Monday please contact me at exechead@aspire-kent.org.uk or on my work number 07599 801236 between 9am - 5pm

If you need another copy of your child's google log in please either email your school office or head of school - please remember they are not back at work until Monday.

If you have no access to the appropriate technology at home please contact your head of school.

Thank you for your ongoing support
Kind regards,

Emma Hickling
Executive headteacher
ASPIRE federation