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### **Message from Mrs Fielding**



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well as we approach the halfway point of this unusual spring half term. We kick started the week with a Governors meeting and I was delighted to be able to share that so many of our families are engaging with the work we are providing for those pupils learning from home. I want to thank you for all you are doing to support your child's learning during this difficult time.

#### **Live sessions:**

From next week, the children will have the opportunity to join their teacher and classmates for a short online meeting via Microsoft Teams, once a week. This will not be a teaching session; more an opportunity for checking in, have a catch up and enjoy each other's' company. The meetings are optional and children will not miss out on any learning if they don't attend, as all the lessons will continue to be delivered via My Learning as usual. For children who are in school, we will try our best to arrange for them to join in too.

Early next week, you will be receiving a link for a home-school agreement setting out expectations. Children won't be able to join the meetings until this is completed. The meetings will take place on Wednesdays and Thursdays for EYFS classes and on Fridays for all the other classes. They will last approximately 15 minutes, and the start time can be seen below. Each week the teacher will post the link to the meeting on a video on My Learning. We hope the children will enjoy this chance to see their friends and teacher on the screen!

<b>Nursery</b>	Wednesday	2.15pm
<b>Reception</b>	Thursday	9:30 am
<b>Class 1</b>	Friday	9:00 am
<b>Class 1/2</b>	Friday	9:30 am
<b>Class 2</b>	Friday	10:00 am
<b>Class 3</b>	Friday	10:30 am
<b>Class 3/4</b>	Friday	11:00 am
<b>Class 4</b>	Friday	11:30 am
<b>Lunch</b>		
<b>Class 5</b>	Friday	1.15 pm
<b>Class 5/6</b>	Friday	1.45 pm
<b>Class 6</b>	Friday	2.15pm

Have a lovely weekend!  
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### **Critical Worker School Places – a Plea**

Government guidance states: ***'where a child can be cared for at home then they should be at home – using childcare provided by the school should be a last resort'***.

We have a much higher number of key worker children in school than in the last lockdown, so a plea again, to only use school on the weekdays that you work as this will really help to release any further places if parents really need them. It will also help to minimise the transmission of the new strain of the virus as even though children are less likely to catch it, they are still carriers who can bring it into school and take it home with them. We need to all work together to look after each other.

We currently have 7 bubbles across the infant and junior sites. Our amazing support staff are working incredibly hard to support pupils, in school, to access the learning material that is being created by class teachers on the My Learning platform. Teachers are either planning or creating content for remote learning or teaching pupils in school.

A greater demand for places would increase the number of bubbles in school. This would leave us no option other than to draw on teachers – who would then not be available able to provide the remote learning being accessed by everyone. I am aware that all families are faced with many challenges at this time and thank you for your understanding of our situation.

### **Winter Grant Scheme**

The government has awarded councils money under the COVID Winter Grant Scheme designed for vulnerable households and families, (with or without children). Residents struggling to afford food or pay their fuel bills, may be eligible to receive help, if this might be you, please visit

<https://covid19.eastriding.gov.uk/support/> for more details.

### **Warm Clothes:**

Please can I remind those children who are in school to wear warm clothes, ideally thermals and layers. There are less children in school and so there isn't as much body heat & we still have to ensure that we have good ventilation so doors and windows are open at all times. Although the heating is on it can still get a little chilly after lunch so please wrap up warm.

### **Further Support:**

School staff continue to contact parents to 'check in' and ascertain if we can help in any way. Please remember that this may be from a withheld number. Parents and carers can also contact their child's teacher using the class email address provided or call school on 01759 371430.

### **Early Years are on the hunt for the following items:**

- Old bicycle wheels
- Lengths of decking
- Plastic pipes or tubing
- Wicker baskets of any size

We would be happy to take these off your hands if you were looking to dispose of them – thank you!

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**E-safety - Staying safe while your child is at home.**

We understand your child may be using the internet more for schoolwork and other entertainment while they are at home at the moment.

**thinkuknow** has a comprehensive list of articles and guidance on all aspects of child internet safety.

[www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents)

In addition, parents and carers may also find the following links helpful to keep children safe online:

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers>

[CEOP \(Child Exploitation & Online Protection\) – Think you know](#)

[Childnet](#) – working to keep children safe on-line

[Using Parental Controls](#)

[Sharing safely on social media](#)

[Social Media Site Guides for parents](#)

[Child safety on TikTok parent factsheet](#)

[Fortnite factsheet](#)

[Parent factsheet - screen time](#)

[WhatsApp - parent factsheet](#)

[YouTube safety factsheet](#)



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**Using parental controls**

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**Gaming: What parents need to know**

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**Play Like Share: For 8-10 year olds**

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