

## THIS WEEK

I want to begin this week by thanking the parents of our Year 1 'school-based learners' for their understanding and patience around the closure of our Year 1 bubble. At the moment, there has been no evidence of any additional cases of Covid-19, so our Year 1 'school-based learners' will be able to return to school on Friday January 29th.

As all of our children are accessing increasingly more on-line resources, we have reviewed our Acceptable User Policy for our learners. This document will be reviewed at an 'age appropriate level' with all of our children on Internet Safety Day (09.02.21) and a copy is available for parents on the policies page of our website, under the 'E-safety' heading.

## Information for 'Home Learners'

Please can I again stress the importance of all home learners checking in with their year group team between 9.00am and 9.30am each morning on MS Teams. The Department for Education requires us to register all children on a daily basis, including those learning from home, for safeguarding reasons, as well as educational reasons.

The teaching staff have been delighted with all of the work which has been sent to them this week! As mentioned last week, teaching staff are collating individual files of submitted work for each 'home learner' throughout the week and will be providing weekly individual feedback for each child on their portfolio of work, so please can we ask that you submit all work completed through either the VLE, or ideally through your child's year group email address.

If you have any technological issues in terms of accessing either the VLE or Teams, then please do not hesitate to contact us through the year group email addresses and someone will then get back in touch with you as soon as possible, either by email or telephone, to offer support.

## Information for 'School-Based Learners'

A quick reminder that children need their PE Kits in school on the following days: Reception (Monday), Year 1 (Wednesday), Year 2 (Wednesday), Year 3 (Thursday), Year 4 (Friday), Year 5 (Friday) and Year 6 (Thursday).

We have received some requests from Critical Worker parents asking if their child can move from full time attendance in school to part-time 'school-based' and part-time 'home learning' dependant upon shift work etc. We want to confirm that we are more than happy to facilitate this for any parent who requests it on the basis that the government's current stance is that Critical Workers should 'keep their children at home if they can'.

If your child is going to be attending on a part-time basis, please can we ask you to email the office to clarify the days on which your child won't be attending school, so that we can confirm staffing arrangements. On the days your child is learning from home, they will need to access the daily 'check in' as above and also complete their work in their Home Learning Book.

Each of our school-based learners has been given a copy of all of their remote learning passwords which will be needed in the event of a bubble closure to enable them to access remote education. If your child has not brought home their password sheet, please contact their teacher through the year group email address and ask for another copy.

## ★ BAILDON STARS ★

3HS: Jessica B & Lukas

3S: Eli & Ted L

4M: Roman & Caitlin B

4AW: Jack N & Louie

5G: Lilly & Ciaran

5B: William S & Billy

6V: Harriet K & Isaac W

6B: Anna J & Chloe J

\*Certificates for home-based learners are being posted out today

## SCHOOL LUNCHES

**Mon:** Pepperoni/Margherita Pizza, or a Jacket **Tue:** Chicken/Chickpea Curry, or a Jacket

**Wed:** Fish & Chips, Cheese & Tomato Pasta Bake or a Jacket

**Thurs:** Sausage Roll, Cheese Pasty, or a Jacket

**Fri:** Mexican Chicken, Quorn Enchiladas or a Jacket

# NOTICEBOARD

## PTFA Update

We are delighted to report that due to the success of our Santa's Secret Room we were able to receive Match Funding to the value of £1750 in addition to the £2490 we raised. This is a huge sum which will go a very long way in supporting our children, thank you to everyone who supported this event. Our sincere thanks go to Sarah and Chris Booth and Amanda McCarthy of Lloyds Banking Group and Nikki Scott of Skipton Building Society for making the Match Funding happen.

Unfortunately, as we find ourselves in strange times again, we have decided to postpone the Bag2School day which was initially planned for 1st February 2021 until later in the year. Therefore, we would be grateful if you are able to keep hold of any items that you were going to donate until a later date.

Our next PTFA meeting will be held on Monday 1st February 2021 at 7pm via Zoom, anyone wishing to attend this meeting please email the office at [office@baildonce.co.uk](mailto:office@baildonce.co.uk) for the link. We look forward to you joining us!

## Top Tips for Home Learners!

Please see below a link to the Education Endowment Fund's Top Tips for families who are engaging in home learning. They have also produced a 'planning the day' guide to support home learning routines and this will be available on the new Remote Learning page of our website which we are launching next week. Also available on the Remote Learning Page will be some useful information for both parents and children regarding screen use.

[https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/public/files/videos/EEF\\_Supporting\\_daily\\_routines\\_during\\_school\\_closures.mp4](https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/public/files/videos/EEF_Supporting_daily_routines_during_school_closures.mp4)

## A politician in the making!

Our congratulations go to Isobel in 5B who wrote to the government about her feelings regarding their response to the Covid-19 crisis; they were so impressed with the quality of her writing that she has received replies from both the High Commissioner for Singapore and the Prime Minister's office!

## MyOn Digital Library for KS2

Miss Brace is currently in the process of launching a new reading scheme for our KS2 children, called 'Accelerated Reader'. Through this scheme, all of the children will have access to a library of digital books, known as 'MyOn' to access throughout lockdown. All of the children in school should now have their unique log-in details; please contact your child's class teacher through the year group email address if your child hasn't received their details.

## Covid Information for School-Based Learners

Please can we again remind you that if anyone in your household has any of the symptoms of Covid-19, then no-one in your household should attend school or work and your whole family should isolate until a test has been taken. A temperature is one of the key symptoms of Covid-19, so if anyone in your household has a temperature, then no-one should attend school or work and the above advice should be followed.

If your child is a 'School Based Learner' and they test positive for Covid, then please can you contact us as soon as possible (by telephone or email) as we may need to quickly close a bubble in school and arrange for children to work from home.