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Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Dear Parents,

As I communicated last night it was with great sadness that we have closed our schools to most children again. Apologies in advance for the length of this letter however I want to ensure our whole school community is aware of how we intend to operate over the next few weeks.

### **Information for Vulnerable and Children of Critical Workers**

Firstly thank you for so quickly responding to our FORM yesterday. This really helped with our planning.

#### **Critical Worker and Vulnerable Provision Take up**

The number of children who have applied for critical worker or vulnerable provision has far exceeded our expectations. Whilst we have the capacity for the number who have applied, I should stress that the aim of the national lockdown is to reduce contacts and this is less effective with the number of children we have in. To help us with this I would ask you to:

- Let us know if, on reflection, you do not need the space because there is someone at home to look after your child. If this is the case please e-mail [Katie.Taylor-Bailey@marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:Katie.Taylor-Bailey@marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk)
- In the case of children of keyworkers, only send your child in on the days the provision is needed. For example, if you have a day off keep your child home with you and access the remote learning offer.

If you really do need this important provision please know that we are happy to provide it.

#### **Bubble Organisation**

To be able to provide the critical worker and vulnerable provision we are having to reorganise our bubbles. From today we are running the following:

Market Rasen C of E Primary: 4 bubbles (Reception / Years 1&2 / Years 3&4 / Years 5&6)

Nettleton Community Primary: 2 bubbles (Reception, Years 1 & Year 2 / Years 3, 4,5 &6)

#### **Provision Organising**

Due to the fact we have less children in school we no longer need to stagger entry and exit times. Please arrive at the following time tomorrow using the following entrances.

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School	Bubble	Start Time	End Time	Entrance
Market Rasen	Reception Bubble	8.45	3.15	Kilnwell Road / EYFS Garden
Market Rasen	Year 1 & 2 Bubble	8.45	3.15	Kilnwell Road / KS1 Playground
Market Rasen	Year 3 & 4 Bubble	8.45	3.15	Mill Road Gate 2
Market Rasen	Year 5 & 6 Bubble	8.45	3.15	Mill Road Gate 1
Nettleton	R, Year 1 & 2 Bubble	8.45	3.00	Red Gate
Nettleton	Year 3,4,5,6 Bubble	8.45	3.00	A46 Gate

### Uniform and P.E

Children at Market Rasen will do P.E on a Monday and Wednesday (starting tomorrow).

Children at Nettleton will do P.E on a Tuesday and a Thursday.

They should come in P.E kits on these days and wear school uniform on the other days.

### Information For Children Who Are Not Able To Attend School

#### Remote Learning Plan

We have a robust remote learning plan that will begin tomorrow (Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2021). There is an expectation from the Government that children will do at least three hours of remote learning a day. Our view is that we will provide this much and you should try to do as much of it as possible given your individual circumstances.

The learning we set will be a mixture of videos, PDFs and PowerPoints. Children from Years 1-6 will give their answers via FORMS. This will allow teachers to assess their learning and give advice and feedback. For our Reception children there will be a short FORM for parents to complete each day to tell us how your child is getting on.

The video lessons will be recorded by someone in the federation team; it may not always be your child's class teacher that is teaching the lesson.

We will contact families where children don't appear to be accessing the learning to see how we can support you.

#### How To Access The Lessons

All of the lessons will be on our school website on the Online Learning Tab. The links can be found below. The work will be ready by 9.30 daily at the latest.

Market Rasen <https://www.marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk/online-learning.php>

Nettleton <https://www.nettleton.lincs.sch.uk/online-learning.php>

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We will send a Wisepay Reminder each day with the above links embedded.

When you click on the links the work should just load. If you are watching a TEAMS video you will need to choose the option “watch on the web” to make it play unless you have a TEAMS account that you can use.

The work will only be up for the day it is set so it is important that your child attempts to complete the work on the day it is uploaded. We ask for the work to be submitted by 2.00 p.m. daily to enable the teachers to mark and assess it.

### **Safeguarding**

Please ensure your child is supervised when using the internet to access the work we have set.

### **What if my child is struggling with the work?**

We have staff on hand that will be able to talk you or your child through anything they are struggling with. Please call or e-mail the office to request a call back. The call back will be from someone in that year group team across the Federation. The call may come from a phone with a withheld ID so please answer if you can.

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[gemma.hall@marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:gemma.hall@marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk)

Nettleton -01472 851455

[catherine.fussey@nettleton.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:catherine.fussey@nettleton.lincs.sch.uk)

### **What If I don't have a device?**

We know from our research that not all families have enough devices to complete the online learning. We have allocated some devices we bought to those families in the most need. We are awaiting a delivery of laptops from the Department of Education which should be enough for all families who stated they needed it. We will be in touch with those families once they arrive.

In the meantime if your child has no way to access the remote learning please contact the main office ([gemma.hall@marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:gemma.hall@marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk) / [catherine.fussey@nettleton.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:catherine.fussey@nettleton.lincs.sch.uk)) and request paper copies of the online learning.

### **Children with EHCPs**

Children with EHCPs will be given bespoke learning packs that meet the needs outlined in their plan. If you have any queries about this learning please get in touch with our Special Education Needs Co-ordinator, Mrs Lianne McGagh. [Lianne.McGagh@marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:Lianne.McGagh@marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk)

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### **Keeping In Touch Calls**

Like in the previous lockdown we will, from time to time, call you to ensure that everything is going well. If your child is being supported by our Parent Support Advisor or is open to Team around the Child (TAC) or Children's Services, you'll get a weekly call. Sometimes these calls will come from a withheld ID so please answer if you can.

### **Support For Families**

Please get in touch if you need any parent support, if you are worried about your child or if you are suffering financial hardship. If you need a food parcel please e-mail [nichola.allerston@marketrasen.linc.sch.uk](mailto:nichola.allerston@marketrasen.linc.sch.uk) to arrange this. We will be able to help.

### **Data for Devices**

We have a number of free Vodafone 30GB data sims for use in cellular devices if your child needs them for home learning. Please e-mail the main office should you require one of these.

I hope that this letter gives you all of the information you need for now. If you need any further information please feel free to get in touch with me directly. [andrew.smith@marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:andrew.smith@marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk)

Please follow the National Lockdown guidance to expedite the day when we can reopen our school fully and get back to normal.

My staff team are working very hard to ensure all children are safe and receive the best possible education we can provide under the circumstance and I thank them very much for that.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support.

Kind regards,

Andrew

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