

ABBAY ACADEMIES TRUST
Executive Headteacher: Mrs S J Moore

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Dear Parents and Carers

We have continued with enthusiasm and our usual WOW factor since we came back in September. We are thrilled with attendance and your magnificent efforts with this. We have been amazed at how quickly the children have embraced their learning and we are now progressing brilliantly with any 'catch-up' provision needed.

I am writing to you to explain the provision we have in place should your child be absent for any COVID-19 reason and our plans for remote learning in the event of a bubble closure, local or National lockdown.

From Monday 28th September, if your child is unable to attend school for any COVID-19 reason i.e. illness, awaiting test or isolation; a class bubble is sent home or if there is a further wider lockdown we will be providing remote learning for all our children from Reception to Year 6 through Seesaw.

Seesaw is an online learning platform and has a wide range of functions including distance learning, options for class projects and opportunities for pupils to film and upload videos and voice recordings to their individual account that can only be viewed by you and their teacher. Seesaw is a secure site and your child's work will remain privately owned by the school. Read more about Seesaw's strong privacy promises here <https://web.seesaw.me/privacy-policy>.

In these scenarios, learning will be uploaded daily from the second day of absence or closure; this will allow teachers time to share high quality lessons, teaching slides and activities for your children. Teachers will mark and respond to your child's uploaded work and provide any additional support for children should they need it.

In order to complete the 'set-up' process for your child(ren) you will need to download the app from the Apple Store or Google Play and then scan your individual child's QR code which will be sent home with your child this week. Please let us know as soon as possible if you do not have access to the internet at home or have difficulty downloading and accessing the app.

Additionally, we will be sending home exercise books with all of the children this week. Please keep these somewhere safe at home so that they can be used if your child is absent from school as a result of COVID-19.

I am sure you would agree that this move to online learning will ensure that all of our children will continue to receive a high quality education, should they need to be at home, during these continuing challenging times. As always, we welcome your feedback; especially as we, as a school, move into new territory with Seesaw and remote learning.

Thank you for your continued support. Should you have any questions, please contact us using BEP.enquiries@abbeyacademies.co.uk with SEESAW and your child's class in the subject line.

Yours sincerely



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