



# All Saints Primary School

## Weekly Parent Email

W/E 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2021

Dear All,

As we approach our fourth week of live lessons, I continue to be very impressed with the focus that children are displaying. I know it is not easy, I know it is not ideal and I am aware of the difficulties of remote learning, however, it is really important to continue routines, maintain standards and to prevent our children having big gaps in their learning due lack of curriculum coverage. Please stick with it!

At times, all children will find aspects of learning difficult (this happens in school as well). When this happens, please reassure your child that they are not the only child in that position and as long as they are trying their hardest, we can ask no more of them. The really important part of the lesson is during the teacher input when they are introducing and scaffolding what pupils need to do independently. If the children lose focus during this part of the lesson, they will struggle with their independent work. Naturally, when they are struggling they should ask for help (unmute) at a convenient time or 'raise a hand' to alert the teacher that they require assistance.

Staff Covid testing is commencing next week; all staff will be self-testing twice a week. Sometimes these throw out erroneous results which have to be followed up by a visit to one of the testing centres. If this happens, please bear with us as far as live lessons are concerned.

Looking forward, many of you will have heard yesterday that the government have committed to giving a two-week notice to schools prior to reopening. They are still aiming to open schools after half term (for us from 22 February), however, this depends on coronavirus rates at the time. As yet, we have not been asked to stay open over half term, so I can only presume that school will be closed for everyone that week (15 – 19 Feb).

Please remember that if you require any reading books, call Lou in the office and we will get them ready. Likewise, if any other learning resources would help your child's learning, please let us know.

Stay in touch,

Nigel Roberts