

12th January 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Current Lockdown Update

I hope you are all well, looking after yourselves and staying safe. Whilst mindful I have sent a number of letters following the lockdown announcement last week I felt it was important to write again with an update regarding both our school and remote provision. Our priority remains the children and their learning and ensuring we are responding appropriately. As I said in my letter last week the learning is the same for the children in school as those at home but, as I'm sure you will appreciate, the reality is rather different, particularly in terms of delivery and feedback whilst also responding to daily queries.

Thank you to those of you that have sent in your documentation with regards to Critical Worker places – we will not be able to offer a place for your child moving forwards if we do not have this documentation to prove your status as a Critical Worker as per the guidance. The guidance also clearly states that children should be kept at home where possible. Where your role is deemed critical we are more than happy to support. However please follow the guidance and only send in your child when you need to. Please keep your child at home if there is another adult at home or if you are not at work due to your shift patterns. We also know that some families are using support bubbles or working from home and therefore only need school provision a number of days a week. Please ensure that you are only using the school provision when it is needed so that we are able to continue to offer this as widely as possible, allowing us to play our part, supporting critical workers, during this current challenging time. Please let us know if there are any days you do not need by contacting the school office at office@spaldingparish.lincs.sch.uk as this will mean that we can plan for this appropriately and that staff are also able to ensure pupils not in school also receive the support they need on a daily basis.

Given the progress that all the children in Terms I and 2 have made, ensuring this continues moving forwards is high priority. For all of you who will be at home, we will be connecting virtually with your children three times a day and to provide additional support we will also be supplying you links to resources/videos/websites (via Microsoft Teams) to help the children with their learning. By working together we can help each other and make sure no pupil at SPCEDS suffers as a result of the current situation. Thank you in anticipation of your continued support.

Kind Regards, Diane Mulley Head Teacher



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