



# St. Gabriel's C.E. Primary School

*"Stand firm... be courageous" 1 Corinthians 16:13*

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## **Home Learning for children absent due to Covid**

The information below will apply to Years 1 to 6. Home Learning in the Reception class will aim to follow a similar '3 tier' approach, but will involve more practical activities than online tasks.

### **If a child is absent because you are awaiting test results (hopefully only a couple of days!)**

- Children should continue with their routine homework tasks.
- Teachers will send a postcard via Purple Mash with links to the relevant White Rose Maths lessons and the current Oak Academy lessons.

### **If individual children are isolating for 14 days (because a household member is positive)**

- Children should continue with their routine homework tasks.
- Teachers will send a postcard via Purple Mash with daily links to White Rose Maths lessons and Oak Academy lessons.
- We will post out a maths booklet to accompany the online White Rose lessons and a Home Learning Journal to record additional activities.

### **If a full class bubble is forced to close**

- We will resume a similar format to the Home Learning Opportunity grids that were used during lockdown, providing essential links to Maths activities, Read Write Inc, topic activities and Purple Mash.
- We will request that maths booklets and Home Learning Logs are collected from school wherever possible (please note it is only the child from the bubble who needs to self-isolate in this situation, not any siblings or any other members of the household).
- Teachers will actively correspond and maintain contact with all children through Purple Mash activities and postcards.

**What is White Rose Maths?** This is a resource designed specifically to 'blend' learning between school and home. Children will be able to access online lessons which will mirror the content being used in the classroom. This will ensure that children have the opportunity to 'keep up' and not miss essential content. Children are being shown how this operates in their daily lessons, so they are familiar with the online lessons should they need to be used.

Note: there is no expectation for children to complete home learning tasks if they are unwell.

**self-belief**

**courage**

**resilience**

**ambition**

**Harmony**

### **Staffing changes in school**

Please note, Mrs Haworth who was a part-time Admin Assistant at St Gabriel's for almost 20 years, took early retirement before the summer. We wish her the best in her new equestrian ventures!

Also, our current school cook, Mrs Forrest-Yates, will be leaving us at the end of September. We wish her all the best in her future endeavours.

### **Reminder: School Procedure if your child has Covid symptoms:**

If your child presents with symptoms at home:

- 1. Let us know your child will be absent and that you are booking a test.**
- 2. Isolate and keep all siblings off school until you get the test result.**
- 3. Inform school immediately on receipt of the result (positive or negative) and email: [office@stgabriels.blackburn.sch.uk](mailto:office@stgabriels.blackburn.sch.uk) (this is very important over a weekend)**
- 4. A negative result means your child/ren can return to school**

If your children present Covid symptoms whilst they are in school, we will contact you and request you to collect them and their siblings.

### **What to do if someone in your household tests positive for Covid**

This means your whole household will need to isolate for 14 days. Please inform school immediately so that we can arrange home learning for your child/ren.