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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been lovely to welcome the return of our Zone 1/EYFS, Nursery and a small number of Reception pupils, who appear to be enjoying their time back in school. It has also been great to see some of our Zone 4/Year 5 children on site making our school building a little busier! All the children appear to enjoy the home learning which is being covered on site and they are certainly enjoying the social contact with friends and peers – which is lovely to see.

The Government minister for Education in a statement this week said that Schools, Parents and Pupils will be given 2 weeks notice before opening – we hope this is sooner than later, in the meantime please continue to encourage your child to use our Home learning site: <http://bit.ly/nbremote>.

STAFF TESTING

This week our staff have had training to support their own Asymptomatic testing and from next week, staff accessing the school site will undertake a lateral flow test to further reduce the transmission risk of Covid-19. This is one of the Government strategies to move towards full opening of schools. Whilst this is a step in the right direction, the discovery of positive-asymptomatic staff may unfortunately lead to zone/bubble closure due to close contact.

HOME LEARNING

In providing our Home learning <http://bit.ly/nbremote> we are reviewing our provision continually, using Government guidance and are making informed changes to our practice. We recognise that whilst some of our children may be able to access the resource independently, Home learning still requires your support and oversight. We would be interested to consider your thoughts about our home learning offer and would appreciate you taking the time to complete our brief on-line questionnaire. Please follow the link <http://bit.ly/nbrlejan21>. We appreciate and value your thoughts and suggestions. Thank you!

Device Free Friday: Next week there will be a range of suggested activities for a device free Friday afternoon. We recognise our more recent reliance on technology and would like to suggest more creative and active learning solutions. We hope you enjoy!

SCHOOL PROVISION

We are providing **emergency care** for a **limited number of children in school**.

The school building is open for our more vulnerable pupils on roll and to support the children of our priority key workers. Our aim is to support as many families as we can and provision can be flexible based on need.

Though we are providing care for our children, the government advice states that:

**If it is at all possible for children to be at home, then they should be.
Every child who can be safely cared for at home should be.**

The school offer for vulnerable pupils (priority) and children of key workers is zoned provision

Our Home Learning will be our primary focus and this will also be the core of our learning delivered in school

Zone 1: Nursery (N provision 8.30 – 11.30 **am only**) and Reception aged pupils (8.45am – 3pm)

Zone 2: KS1 Years 1 and 2 (8.30am – 3.00pm)

Zone 3: KS2 Years 3 and 4 (8.40am – 3.00pm)

Zone 4: KS2 Year 5 (8.40am – 3.00pm)

Zone 4: KS2 Year 6 (8.40am – 3.10pm).

Our catering service will provide a daily hot meal and all pupils are to attend in full uniform or PE uniform(PE days)

* If you are a key worker and require childcare support. Please contact the school office 01642 816884 to check availability. The key worker link is below.....

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision#critical-workers>

Devices: Tablets and laptops

We have supplied most of our DFE devices to families but still have a very limited number of tablets available for loan from school. There is priority access for vulnerable pupils and those families - known to have technology needs. If you would like to loan a device. Please contact the school office on 01642 816884 to enable paperwork to be completed before collection.

PACKED LUNCHES/VOUCHERS: Income related Free school meals

If your child is eligible (FSM: Reception / Y1-Y6 Free school meals) and you would like to order a packed lunch please contact the school office on 01642 816884. Pre -ordered packed lunches are available daily from the Key Stage 2 dining hall doors

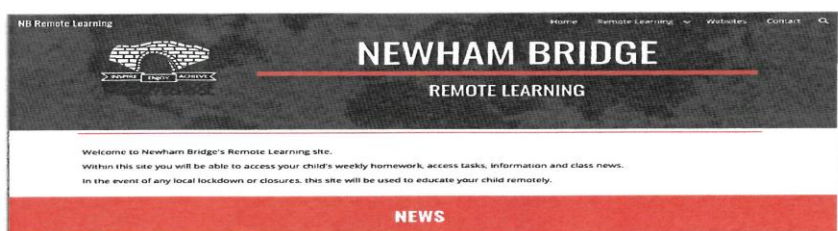
between the hours of **11.00am and 12.30pm. The school office will be open daily hours: 8am – 3.30pm.**

DFE Edenred vouchers should commence from 25.01.21 until 12.02.21(3 weeks) – supporting our eligible families

Next week as we move to Staff testing we embark on the next phase of the journey – hopefully towards schools fully opening. The school team are doing their best to reduce risk and we hope that you too, are able to ‘Take care and stay safe!’ We do hope to see you all back in school soon 😊

Best wishes
B Hewitt-Best

Access Home learning via bit.ly/nbremote

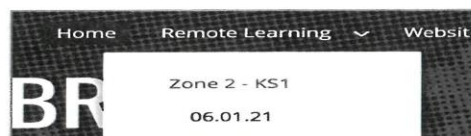


This is the home page and the first thing you will see.



Go to the Remote Learning tab at the top of the page.

Click on the arrow for the zone you want to access and then select the correct day for your daily activities.



You will then see a welcome message and page full of activities that match our typical school day.



If you have any problems or want to share some lovely work with your teacher, click on the contact page and choose the email address for your zone.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

If your child or a member of your household display any symptoms of coronavirus

- **A high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back
- **A new, continuous cough** – coughing a lot for more than an hour, or three or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- **A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – your child cannot smell/taste anything, or things smell /taste different

As Parents/ Carers you MUST to be ready and willing to:

- [book a test](#). Staff and pupils must not come into the school if they have symptoms, and must be sent home to self-isolate if they develop them in school. All children can be tested, including children under 5, but children aged 11 and under will need to be helped by their Parents/Carers if using a home testing kit
- provide details of anyone they have been in close contact with if they were to test positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) or if asked by NHS Test and Trace
- [self-isolate](#) if they have been in close contact with someone who develops coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms or someone who tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19)
- Anyone who displays symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) can and should get a test.
- Tests can be booked through the NHS [testing and tracing for coronavirus website](#), or ordered by telephone via NHS 119 for those without access to the internet. Essential workers, which includes anyone involved in education or childcare, have priority access to testing