

January 2021 Arrangements

Saturday 2nd January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Last night, the government identified Haringey as an area of concern and restrictions are in place for the next two weeks on who can attend school. The aim of this restriction is to drastically reduce contacts made to drive down the rate of infection locally.

From Monday 4th January the school will switch to remote learning and will be open only for:

- children of parents who are critical workers
- children who are considered vulnerable and their siblings

It is not a requirement for these pupils to attend, but the offer is there to provide support. The government will review this by 18th January 2021.

Like you, we have only just found out about these changes so the finer planning is not yet complete. However, we now need to collect information to work out how many pupils will be in school and how many will be at home and the support needed.

Remote Learning

We have learnt much over the last term when bubbles have closed and this time we will provide a range of remote learning including recorded lessons and independent activities. However, with the vast majority of pupils at home, this presents a logistical challenge for us and for some families. Our offer will try to strike a balance, but the message will be the same as in March, please do what you can, depending on your own circumstances. For Years 1-6 there will likely be up to 3 recorded sessions daily, which will also be recorded and posted online. There will also be independent activities. For EYFS there will be some limited recorded sessions with most activities being independent learning. We are still working on the timetables, and we have tried to space the sessions out to support learning routines at home.



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School Provision

This will not be the same as the first lockdown in March.

For those attending school, depending on the numbers, we are likely to organise the children in their phase bubbles. The school day will run from 8:45 until 3pm. Bubbles will be supported by teaching assistants. The children will access the same recorded sessions that pupils are accessing at home which will be delivered online by their class teachers.

We will provide hot lunches during this period but children can bring in a packed lunch.

Critical Workers

If you are a critical worker and you are unable to support your child at home then you can register for them to attend school. The list of critical workers is published by the government - [click here](#)

Vulnerable Children

The school considers vulnerable children to be

- children with an EHCP
- children who have an application for an EHCP in progress
- children who are Looked-After (pupils in care)
- children who are adopted and those with a special guardian
- children who have a social worker

We will also extend the offer of attending school to any siblings of vulnerable children. The school may also contact parents of pupils who we think would benefit from being in school.

Free School Meal Support

For pupils who are eligible for Free School Meals, you will be able to order a voucher.

If you have any general questions, please send them to office@spahschool.co.uk and we will be happy to answer them.

Yours sincerely

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