

## **CANON JOHNSON C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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## Good afternoon,

Firstly, can I thank everyone for their patience and understanding this week. It has been a busy week organising the national lockdown and making sure that all the pupils can access the online learning that we are providing. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact me if you need any help.

In the newsletter today we are presenting some guidelines for pupils and parents to follow whilst learning online. These will support everyone, help lessons run more smoothly and also ensure we are keeping pupils safe online. Please read them carefully ready for learning next week.

We also have some offers of free data (mobile companies are offering this at the moment).

### **PUPIL/STAFF/PARENT GUIDELINES**

After supporting the pupils this week, we have created some guidelines to ensure lessons can run smoothly and we can keep pupils safe online. Please follow these to help the staff lead the online learning:

- Pupils must be dressed appropriately
- Children should be working in a safe, appropriate environment (not lying in bed)
- Lessons must not be recorded or photographed
- All comments that are being posted on the live chat are about the learning.
- Pupils must not create their own meetings. Meetings will be created by teachers if needed.
- Pupils must not take control of the PowerPoint being shared, unless they are given permission

Don't worry if your internet connection fails or if your computer crashes. All work / activities will be saved in the files section.

## NATIONAL LOCKDOWN

Please can I ask that everyone follows the strict guidelines that have been put in place for our safety. Hopefully, if we can follow these guidelines we will be able to return after the February half term. I completely understand the stresses and strains at this time and please email me if





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you need anything at all. Below are the latest guidelines issued for this lockdown. Please follow them so we can keep everyone safe.

You should follow this guidance immediately. This is the law.

# **Leaving home**

You must not leave, or be outside of your home except where necessary. You may leave the home to:

- shop for basic necessities, for you or a vulnerable person
- go to work, or provide voluntary or charitable services, if you cannot reasonably do so from home
- exercise with your household (or support bubble) or one other person, this should be limited to once per day, and you should not travel outside your local area.
- meet your <u>support bubble</u> or <u>childcare bubble</u> where necessary, but only if you are legally permitted to form one
- seek medical assistance or avoid injury, illness or risk of harm (including domestic abuse)
- attend education or childcare for those eligible

If you do leave home for a permitted reason, you should always stay local - unless it is necessary to go further, for example to go to work. Stay local means stay in the village, town, or part of the city where you live.

If you are <u>clinically extremely vulnerable</u> you are advised to only go out for medical appointments, exercise or if it is essential. We recommend that you do not attend work

## **Meeting others**

You cannot leave your home to meet socially with anyone you do not live with or are not in a <u>support bubble</u> with (if you are legally permitted to form one).

You may exercise on your own, with one other person, or with your household or support bubble. This should be limited to once per day, and you should not travel outside your local area.

You cannot meet other people you do not live with, or have not formed a support bubble with, unless for a permitted reason.





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Stay 2 metres apart from anyone not in your household.

#### FREE MOBILE DATA

#### **VODAFONE SIM CARDS**

To support with accessing the online lessons we have been given free data SIM cards from Vodafone. They include 30GB of data and can be put into phones, laptops and tablets so that your children can access the internet if you do not have wifi. If you would like one, please come to the office to collect one.

These are on a 'first come, first served' basis.

# **Three UK**

Mobile network Three UK are working in partnership with the Department for Education to provide free internet data to disadvantaged children so they can access remote learning.

Since mid-December, Three UK have been providing free unlimited data for customers, which will allow pupils to use this data to hotspot from their phone to devices such as laptops or tablets to enable them to continue their education.

Schools will be able to identify those children in need of free data and invite them, or their parents or carers, to apply via an online portal set up by the Department for Education.

Applicants need to be Three UK customers (on pay monthly or Pay As You Go) and their information will be securely passed on.

The pupils will be able to use the offer until the end of the school year in July 2021.

Visit - www.gov.uk/government/news/one-million-laptops-and-tablets-for-disadvantagedchildren-and-young-people - to find out more.

Have a great weekend and look forward to speaking to you soon. Mr Bidgood

Headteacher

