

11th January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

Firstly, may we take this opportunity to wish you a Happy New Year. We hope you had an enjoyable Christmas holiday; it seems a very long time ago now!

We hope you have been able to access the activities we have been providing using Microsoft Teams. There have been a few teething troubles. (We are learning as we go along too!) The assignments set need to be returned to us, so that we can see how your child is getting on and give feedback. (You should be able to edit and use the draw tool to write on work even if you can't type.) Please do not forget that children are expected to join the online Microsoft Teams meeting at 9.30 a.m. each morning. It is so lovely to see the children even though we can't be with them in person.

We recognise that remote learning can be difficult, partly because the children really benefit from the structure of the school day. To help you with this, here is a suggested timetable for the day. These timings are by no means 'set in stone' as we understand different families are adapting to different situations, however it may help you to organise your time.

9:00 – 9:30	Exercise! Joe Wicks will be starting his daily workout from Monday 11th, but there are many online exercise videos that can be used. Tanners Brook children love 'Just Dance!' Remember, all children need fresh air and to be active!
9:30 – 9:45	'Teams' meeting with your child's class teacher. An adult must be present with the children. Please remember to follow the guidelines sent previously. For example children should be fully dressed and in a public part of the home – not their bedrooms.
9:45 – 10:45	Assignment 1 (English)
10:45 -11am	Break time!
11:00 – 12:00	Assignment 2 (Maths)
12:00 – 12:15	Times Tables practice (if you are able to go online, your child's 'Times Tables Rockstars' log-in is the same as the one used for 'Teams').
12:15 – 1:15	Lunch time
1:15– 2:00	Assignment 3.
2:00 – 2:45	Assignment 4
2:45 – 3:15	Reading with an adult. This is so important for the children; they love to share books with a grown-up. Make sure you ask questions about what they have read with you. Children also really enjoy listening to stories, so feel free to read to them. David Walliams also shares his stories on www.worldofdavidwalliams.com , in the 'Elevenes' section.

We appreciate how much of a challenge teaching your child at home can be and are very grateful for the support you are giving. Hopefully, we can all be back at school in the not-too-distant future!

Yours sincerely

The Year 3 Team