



St White's Primary School

Challenge, Commit, Conquer and Celebrate



Thursday 9th December 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

I would like to share with you how things are going in school so you are prepared if we have to move to the next step.

Currently, we have considerable staff absence, partly due to staff awaiting PCR tests. This means that we are stretched quite thin in school because we are unable to source any supply teachers. Now, our lovely staff have swung into action and are giving up PPA time, working extra hours, and swapping and changing things around so that we can stay open for all the children as this is our priority. It does mean that we will not necessarily be doing the same sort of learning that we would usually do but we will, of course, prioritise the children's safety at all times and ensure that they have proper support.

I just wanted to alert you to the fact that there may come a time when we cannot continue to keep all the children safe in school due to staff absence, and at this stage, we may need to start closing classes. I would like to reassure you that I will do everything possible to avoid this happening. If there is no other option, we will let you know as soon as possible and our remote learning offer will start up again for those children.

To ensure that we are keeping everyone as safe as possible, we are also closing the office to parents. If at all possible, I would be grateful if you could email the office if you need to contact our administration staff and only telephone if it is urgent. Also, if you do forget things like lunch boxes, we would be grateful if you would leave them outside and ring the bell to tell us who they are for. We will ensure they get to the right place.

If you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards

Mrs Clare Tilling
Headteacher



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school."
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