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Dear families,

We hope that you continue to remain safe and well and that everyone had fun in the snow last weekend. It looks like we could have some more this weekend too!! I was encouraged to hear the Prime Ministers' address earlier this week outlining initial thoughts regarding the Government plans to slowly release lockdown and provision plans for a return to school for all children. At this point we, like many other schools, are hoping that we will be able to return to school and some form of normality for all children from 8<sup>th</sup> March. Whilst we are keen to work towards this date, we will of course be led by the Government guidance.

## Remote education

Now that we know we will be continuing to offer our blended approach to education for all pupils until at least Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March, we recognise the ongoing pressure this puts on all families. As a mother myself with my children accessing remote education full time from home, I am completely aware of the pressures we are all under at this time. I have requested that our family liaison leads (Mrs Pritchard in Year 1 and Mrs Wilkinson-White in Year R and Year 2) make direct contact with all families who are supporting their children's learning at home either part time or full time. The purpose of this phone call/email contact is to ensure that we are aware of any further support required by families and is certainly not intended to cause any undue pressure or anxiety. I would like to thank each and every one of you for your hard work and commitment, as moving between the role of parent and teacher is certainly not an easy one!! Keep up the great work!!



## Parental survey

We invite all parents to complete our remote education survey **by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February** to support us in planning for our return to school for all children and our ongoing school improvement. We look forward to celebrating things that have gone/are going well and to receive constructive feedback regarding any adjustments needed in the short term. You can access the survey by clicking on the following link or scanning the QR code on the left:

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=s60qylrTuECpl\\_frsUfUL3PcefXfjQtBiJzn7Gx42IVUMTFWVvkIBNDRPUk5HWk5WV0ZRVEdJWUlaMy4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=s60qylrTuECpl_frsUfUL3PcefXfjQtBiJzn7Gx42IVUMTFWVvkIBNDRPUk5HWk5WV0ZRVEdJWUlaMy4u)





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## Acceptable Use Policy

We have written an annex to our Acceptable Use policy in response to the need to increase our focus on safeguarding pupils when accessing remote education. We have uploaded this new annex to our policy on our school website [here](#) and ask that you read it carefully. We ask that **ALL parents** complete the online AUP acceptance form having read this annex **by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February**. You can access the survey by clicking on the following link or scanning the QR code on the left:

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=s60qylrTuECpl\\_frsUfUL3PcefXfjQtBiJzn7Gx42lVUOUw3M1JOMUIGN0JLVTIyRIhMV0xYNDJSSC4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=s60qylrTuECpl_frsUfUL3PcefXfjQtBiJzn7Gx42lVUOUw3M1JOMUIGN0JLVTIyRIhMV0xYNDJSSC4u)

## Weekly book and resources deliveries

We have been overwhelmed by the kindness and support demonstrated by our school community. This has enabled us to provide a broad and balanced remote education offer, including the provision of weekly reading books and additional individual resources for children remaining at home. Our Governors have recently been supporting us with delivery of these resources to children's homes on a weekly basis. Over the remaining few weeks, it is likely that more of these deliveries will be made by members of our governing body to ensure that staff in school can focus upon teaching and learning for those pupils in school and those remaining at home. Our Governors are all DBS checked and sign our school code of conduct. Governors will have names and addresses of families in order to make these deliveries. In order to satisfy GDPR requirements, we therefore ask you to contact us via email; [secretary@ckis.org.uk](mailto:secretary@ckis.org.uk) if you would prefer that your child's books and resources were not delivered in this way so that an alternative solution can be agreed.

## Half term

We were notified by the DfE this week that schools will not be required to remain open for critical worker and vulnerable child provision during the half term holiday. Therefore, school will close as planned on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February for the end of term 3 and will re-open again on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February for critical worker and vulnerable child provision only.

## Staff news

I wrote to all parents of children in Red Class yesterday to share Mrs Jones' exciting news. We are delighted to announce that she has secured the post of Assistant Head teacher at Pauntley C of E School and will begin her new role after February half term.





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This is a wonderful opportunity for Mrs Jones and we wish her every success in her new role. However, after more than sixteen years at CKIS, she will be sorely missed by all within our school community and we are all sad to see her leaving CKIS. Mrs Jones is also our school SENDCO. This role will be led by Mrs Price and myself during the interim period for this academic year.

I am incredibly proud of the resilience and kindness demonstrated by all within our school family – children, parents and staff alike. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any further support and thank you all once again for the amazing job that everyone is doing towards helping to reduce the transmission of this dreadful virus so that we can all be together again as soon as possible.

Sending you all our very best wishes, from the staff, Governors and myself.

Kind regards

Mrs James

