



**Park Brow
Primary School**

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Dear Parent/Carer

I hope you are all keeping well and keeping yourselves safe.

SCHOOL OPENING DATE

You may be aware of the recent announcement by Government that schools will not open fully after Half Term. School will be closed to **ALL** pupils during Half Term and pupils will not be required to complete home learning.

Half Term: School Closes Friday February 12Th and opens on Monday 22nd February.

The provisional opening date for school is 8th March 2021 however, this will be determined by data. It may also be that schools will open depending on regional data and I am asking us all, as a community, to adhere to the important messages given by Government to stay safe. Please do not mix within households. Let's work hard to get our pupils back to school.

KEY WORKER PROVISION

We have received a large volume of Parents who are requesting a place at school. Whilst I would love to be able to offer a place to all our children. I am unable to do so unless pupils meet the Government criteria. We have a clear risk assessment in school that identifies the maximum number of pupils we can have in the building to keep everyone safe. We are currently full. You may however be added onto our waiting list if your child meets the set criteria.

REMOTE LEARNING

Thank you all for trying hard to juggle family life, work and home learning. I know this is difficult but it is very important that the children complete the work set by the teachers. Please try to prioritise English and Maths activities if you are struggling.

All our pupils use 'Seesaw' in school and have been provided with lessons to support them. We would prefer this platform to be the main vehicle for home learning especially if your child has been provided with a laptop. We can support you with Internet or data provision if you contact school.

If you have requested a paper pack then this must be collected from the school office on a Monday and returned the following Monday to be marked. You will then be provided with another pack for your child.

SEESAW

Some Parents have indicated that they have found 'Seesaw' difficult to navigate and therefore we have arranged for Mrs O Neil and our IT provider (High Impact) to deliver a virtual tour of Seesaw for Parents. This invite will be sent out shortly.

ZOOM

Staff have started to use Zoom to meet weekly with their class. Can I ask that you download Zoom and read the Zoom Protocol on the remote learning page of our website so that your child can catch up with their teacher on a weekly basis.

PRIVACY NOTICE

To reflect changes in remote learning. We have updated our Privacy Notice. This can be found on the school website. All remote learning resources and platforms we use are GDPR compliant.

WEEKLY PHONECALLS

Staff have been contacting you on a weekly basis. This is to support with home learning and also to ensure we know that all our pupils are safe and well. Staff are with- holding their numbers so you may get a caller with-held number. If we cannot contact you and your child is not engaging with home learning we may need to conduct a home visit.

NEWSLETTER

Please check the Website on a Friday to see who are our; Stars of the Week, Times tables and Spelling Shed Champions.

BUSINESS MANAGER

I would like to welcome Mrs J Owens our new Business Manager. Mrs Owens replaces Mrs Heneghan who retired at Christmas.

Finally if you do have any worries or concerns please contact school or your child's class teacher who will do their utmost to help,

Keep Safe

Ms V Roberts.