



Wednesday 13th January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

The start of the Spring term has not been how anyone would have wanted it. We hope that you are all keeping well and that you are managing in the current lockdown.

Some critical worker children and vulnerable children returned to school last week and they have settled back into the school routine. The Government advice is that people should stay at home unless they are a critical worker or cannot work from home. Parents who work evenings for example can provide home learning during school hours.

If your child is coming to school, please ensure that you maintain social distancing and help to keep everyone safe. While children themselves may not often become very ill with COVID-19, they are still able to pass it on to each other and to adults and this includes their families and staff.

Children of critical workers should continue to attend school every day, unless there are specific circumstances agreed in advance. If a child is ill, parents should phone the school to let us know.

For those parents whose children are at home, you are doing an amazing job and we are here to support you. We have organized a lot of learning options – there are activities on Tapestry and on our website and learning packs are available for you to collect from the School. Please see the email sent to you last week for details of when and where to collect your child's learning pack. If you are concerned and need to contact your child's teacher, please email the school office and we will let the teacher know.

We will keep you informed about any plans for all nursery and school children to return to school. At the moment, we are not expecting any changes before February half term.

Family Learning

Milton Keynes Council are running **free Family Learning courses** from January. Most are run via Zoom. You will need to visit www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/courses to find out more about when the courses are running and how to enrol. Here is a selection:

Coping with Uncertainty	Eat Well, think well, be well
Virtual Pre-School	Story Sacks
Winter Well-being	Simple Sewing
Toddlers Make and Do	Sound Start
Talking to Teenagers	Children's Yoga
Family Pottery Modelling	Reading with your child

Make Music	No Mess Art Club
Family Fortunes	Family ESOL (English as a Second
	Language)
Family Learning Week	Language and Play

Please visit the website to find out more about these courses.

Community Learning MK Adult Education

Community Learning MK Adult Education are running on line courses from January. There are on line courses in IT and Digital Media, Arts and Well Being, Youth, Languages and Maths, English and ESOL. The cost of these courses varies, but you can find out more on www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/courses.

Diary Dates (subject to Government decisions on Covid)

Friday 12 th February	3.00pm	School term finishes
Monday 22 nd February	8.45am	Children back to School (subject to Government decisions about Covid and their plans for children to return to school)