

Where every child counts

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Dear Parents/Carers

What a whirlwind of a week! Thank you so much for supporting and bearing with us while we have been setting up our remote learning. Staff have all been working extremely hard to ensure remote teaching is up and running and also teaching children in school.

By now you should have had a remote learning meeting with your teacher which has set up how our learning will look. I have attached the remote learning code of conduct again which I know you will have already received. Please could we also ask that the children do not use their mobile phones while on the call. We will record the meeting for safeguarding but this will be stored confidentially and deleted after 20 days. As I said in my email please can your child be in a public space in the house. If they have to be in a bedroom then a parent has to be with them at all times. We must also emphasise that the **teacher** is the only person that can start the meeting not the child.

The teacher will keep a register of who has managed to attend. If anyone is not managing to attend at all or not able to complete any work, we will call to check on this and what support is needed. There is an expectation that home learning will be completed.

We are currently waiting for our allocation of laptops so that if you do not have a device at home we will be able to lend you one.

There is also now a scheme that supports parents with extra data on their mobile phone if you are using this as a home learning device with your child. Please contact the school office for more information if require this.

Mr Hull sent out some information about how you can log in to teams via an X-box or play station. I have attached that again too.

If you are experiencing any difficulties please look at the school website for numbers and helplines. The Sturminster Covid group is still active please do call them if you need any support on **01258-447058**. Our locality worker is also still helping families and they can be contacted **01258-474036**

If you are in school you will be needing a packed lunch. If you qualify for packed lunches and not in school we will be sending out food vouchers as previous and you will receive these as before in an email.



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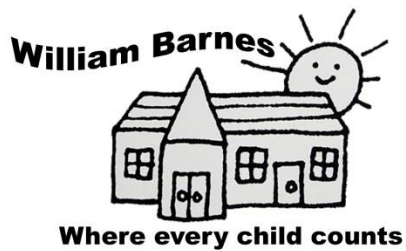
Please enjoy a well deserved rest this weekend. Enjoy some time out in the fresh air go on a family winter walk if safe to do so. Nature is beautiful at this time of year and it is a good time to lift all of our spirits.

We are here for you, please call us with any questions or concerns. Keeping you all in our hearts. Keep well and keep safe.

Best wishes

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