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Remote Learning Through Tapestry

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you are aware we have been working hard to provide children with a remote learning package, should they need to self-isolate or remain at home as a result of the current pandemic.

The work has been and will continue to be uploaded to our school website in the class pages and to Tapestry. If you are having trouble logging onto the Tapestry Journal page, please contact the school office. If your child needs to be absent due to COVID-19, they MUST access this work for the duration of their absence.

We are pleased to announce that we will be using a simple app based resource called Tapestry Journal. Through this app, you will be able to submit your child's work by simply taking a photo on a mobile phone and adding it to your child's portfolio. Staff will then be able to view this work and provide feedback on your child's work and progress.

You or your child can also message your teachers. With regards to messaging, we would like to clarify how this can be used:

<u>DO</u>

- Do message if you want to share something positive from home
- Do message if you have a small query or would like to find out something simple
- Do message if your child has any minor worries, for example: 'Jack didn't quite understand fractions today, could you please point me in the direction of where I can get some further practise work for him'

DON'T

- Please do not use Tapestry app to raise an issue, please contact the school office in the usual way: <u>enquries@thegroveprimaryschool.co.uk</u>
- Please do not message via Tapestry to notify school of absences or illnesses this should be done via the school office as normal
- Please do not use Tapestry to message about any urgent or serious issues; please use the school office and normal school procedures for this. Remember in most cases your child's class teacher will have responsibility for the whole class while your child is isolating so will only be able to access the app before or after the school teaching day.

REMEMBER

Teachers will always endeavour to reply as quickly as possible. However, please bear in mind that school life can be incredibly busy and whilst every effort will be made to reply or acknowledge messages, there may be a slight delay on occasion. Additionally, please do not expect a reply to any messages sent after 4pm or on a weekend as teachers will not be able to reply.

It is extremely important that ALL parents/carers sign up to this platform and download the app as soon as possible. That way, should the unfortunate happen and a bubble or whole school needed to close, we would be able to turn on the messaging and portfolio areas straight away to ensure children can continue to work from home, without any gaps in their education. Visit

<u>https://tapestryjournal.com/</u> or download the app from the app store.

Yours sincerely Bernadette Atkinson Head Teacher











