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Good Afternoon all,

Online learning

We are incredible proud of all our remote learners and the work they are completing.

However, if work is not completed or your child has not logged in we will contact you. We expect that all work can be completed to the highest of quality. You will be rung by a withheld number. Please answer! We will follow the local authority procedure that is attached.

Online learning is a TEAM effort and if you are struggling with routines, we can help. The work is designed to be completed by the child without any, or only some help.

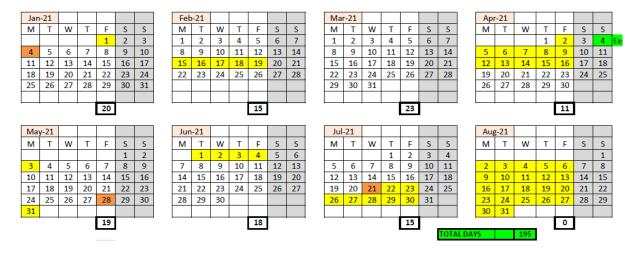
Critical Workers Booking a place.

The government states that being at home is still the safest place to be currently. The government is reviewing this on Feb 22nd. They will set out a road map.

Critical workers need to prove their status, including working hours, and book for two weeks based on shift patterns. If this applies to you, you need to contact the school next week (By 11th). If you are currently in school you will have your letter next Tuesday for after half term. Please note, we are limited by our Risk assessment as to how many pupils are in the class and, IF PUPILS CAN BE LOOKED AFTER SAFELY AT HOME, THEY SHOULD REMAIN AT HOME.

<u>Holiday dates:</u> Please note that the last week before Summer is a Monday and Tuesday in school. Pupils must attend school at this time.

https://donningtonwood.files.wordpress.com/2020/05/donnington-wood-junior-holiday-dates-2020-2021.pdf



SEND NEWS

https://www.telfordsend.org.uk/info/1/home/109/send news

Safer Internet day

Please see my activity on SeeSaw for ideas on safer internet day and https://www.saferinternetday.org/ See poster below and online.

NSPCC advice: https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/

Childline https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/

Parent Zone https://www.parents.parentzone.org.uk/

FSM

This week (starting 2 February 2021), Telford & Wrekin Council will be sending the February half-term vouchers to all borough families registered for benefit related free school meals and for pre-school children in receipt of funding such as early years pupil premium or funded childcare places for 2 year old.

Please note the following:

- The vouchers will be sent directly by the Council to the email addresses school/early year providers have provided to the Council for parents/carers registered on these benefits
- The vouchers are allocated per household, so parents/carers will receive per email only one voucher to claim.
 - Its total value is determined by the number of children in the household, on free school meals or pre-school benefits (£15 per child) plus an additional one-off £35 support;
 - For instance, a family with two children on free school meals will receive from the Council one voucher of £65.
- The voucher is valid for 12 months and can be used at a range of local supermarkets.

Available to download is the letter that will be sent to parent/carers of children and young people who receive benefit related free school meals

Download: Letter from Telford & Wrekin Council Free School Meals

If you need to to, you apply online, contact school if you need any help.

In Hope, Perseverance and Friendship

Mr Fox

7 Top Tips for Supporting Children to



The past year has left many children feeling uncertain and worried. So Children's Mental Health Week 2021 has adopted the theme of 'express yourself'. It's not necessarily about being the best – but instead encouraging young people to relish the joy of being in the moment' and loving what they do. So whether they're into music, art, photography, film, drama or dance, here are our top tips for helping your child to express themselves safely online.

1 Celebrate their Identity

Celebrating who children are and reminding them of their uniqueness has a huge impact on their confidence and self-esteem. This week, remind them of what you love about them. You could revisit some photos and videos on your phone or computer of special times you've shared. Chat about the importance of finding time to do what they love: underline that it's an important part of who they are.

2 Promote Their Passions

It's different for all of us, but every child has something which lightes their passions and brings them joy. Perhaps they love music and you could introduce them to a music-making app? Or if they enjoy taking photos or making videos, use this week to set a photography or video competition at home, with some fun

3 Support Their Interests

Help Them Help Others

5 Enable Emotional Expression

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Children sometimes need help in articulating how they're feeling and in beginning to understand how to manage their emotions. A safe, healthy way for your child to explore their feelings is to let them conduct an activity—like listening to a story, or creating some art—and discuss with them afterwards how it made them feel. There are lots of stories available on YouTube, while Audible is streaming children's audiobooks free of charge while schools are closed. YouTube also has a plethora of fun art studerids (if you log in on adult's account remember to adjust your settings first to block inappropriate content and stop potentially unsuitable material outo-playing).

6 Let Them Stay Connected

The online world is a fantastic space for staying in contact with those who we con't be with right now. Young people are often very comfortable using social media to express themselves and stay connected by sharing themselves and stay connected by sharing their ideas, thoughts and feelings with friends. But boar in mind that most social media plotforms require a child to be at least 13 as before they should access it (Whatsapp is 16). Remind your child that, while it's OK to express who we are an social media, they should still always think before posting — and that their self-worth is never measured by their number of likes histories or follows: of likes, friends or folio

Coach 'Safe Sharing'

As part of expressing themselves, your child may want to share something online that they've created – like a funny video, a sketch, a they've created — like a funny videa, a sketch, a name or a dance. If they've too young to have their own social media, you could use your own account to share it with selected people who you trust. Emphasise the importance of only sharing content with people that your child knows well, like family and friends. This type of conversation is also useful for introducing young people to the risks and chollenges that can come when expressing ourselves to a wider caline audience of strangers.

Meet Our Expert

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10 About Children's Mental Health Week



www.nationalonlinesafety.com







Pupil has not been seen and school are concerned

