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Parent Telephone Meetings

In the last update letter Mrs Hall explained that due to Covid-19 restrictions we will not be holding a traditional parents evening. All meetings this term will be completed by telephone.

By now you should have received an email from your child’s class teacher with the date that these telephone conversations will take place on.

The email will have a link to a google form for you to choose when it would be best for your phone call to take place. If you do not return the form, you will not be allocated a call time. Staff do not have time to chase up non-returns.

The teacher will have set a deadline for the forms to be returned and then she will send out individual times and the telephone number the call will be made from.

The teacher will call you so there is no cost. The call will last 10 minutes only. If you do not answer the phone, the teacher will not ring back so please ensure you answer the call.

The mobile phones that will be used are registered to school but are not to be used to contact school. These phones will not be answered if they ring.

Diary Dates

- 16.10.20 School Photos
- 23.10.20 School Closes for Half term
- 02.11.20 School Re-opens
- 07.12.20 Flu Vaccinations
- 18.12.20 School Closes for Christmas Break
- 04.01.21 Teacher training Day
- 05.01.21 School re-opens to pupils

Lockdown Contingency Plan

All schools were given a deadline of the end of September to publish their contingency plans for a second lockdown.

These plans will **only** take effect if the government puts the whole country or region in to the kind of complete lockdown we saw in March this year.

We have published our plan on the school’s website on the Covid-19 Information page. On this page we have also provided links to the key government documents for parents

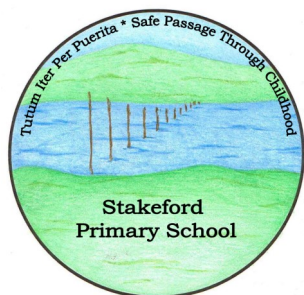
during the ongoing pandemic. This guidance is updated regularly.

Part of the preparation for our lockdown planning, we asked parents to complete a quick google form to share with us how they wanted their child to receive school work. Several reminders were sent out to parents who had not responded. If no response has been received, children will be set work via google classroom.

Great Early Years Resource



The BBC have launched their **Tiny Happy People** website. The site is aimed at giving advice, information and fun activities to parents of children aged 0-5 to help with language development. Every parent now has at their fingertips the means to give their child a great start in language development and understanding putting them in a better position when starting school.



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School Photos

Phototronics will be visiting school on Friday 16th October to take individual pupil photos. Risk assessments have been completed by both Phototronics and school to enable this to take place. The following measures have arisen from our risk assessments:

- Photos will be of individuals only (no siblings);
- The photos will be taken in the hall to facilitate social distancing;
- The photographer and any assistants will wear face coverings;
- Photos will be taken from a standing position, no seating or props.

If you do not want your child to have their 2020 school photograph taken you must ring the school office by Thursday 15th October.

Thank you

We would all like to say a huge thank you to parents and family members who have taken the time to read our updates and helped us to implement changes as part of our ongoing risk assessment.

The fantastic staff who are out at the beginning and end of each day truly appreciate your support, understanding and kind words.

On the end of each newsletter we will use this section for Covid-19 updates which will be bullet pointed. Please can parents receiving this letter ensure that all family members or childcare providers collecting and dropping off children are aware of any information that could affect them.

Covid-19 Updates

- Parents and family members who are exempt from wearing facemasks should carry with them any exemption evidence to show staff. **Once this has been seen** all gate staff will be informed so they should not be asked again.
- The **'Covid-19 Absence: A quick guide for Parents/Carers'** leaflet produced by the government has been included as an attachment to this email.
- Please can parents ensure children arrive on time and within their designated arrival slot or at the pre-arranged combined times. Older children arriving late are having an impact on younger children accessing classrooms because of corridor restrictions.