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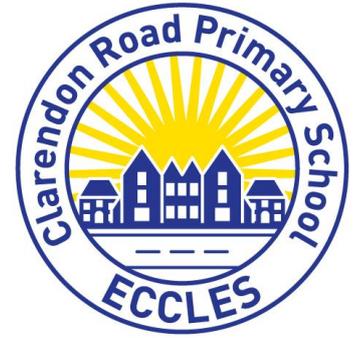
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Spring 2 Week 1 update

Dear Parents & Carers,

We have had a lovely start to the second half of our Spring term, enjoying a little bit of warm sunshine, giving out our wellbeing packs and also, receiving the brilliant news that we will be able to welcome all of our pupils back on **Monday 8th March**.

What are we doing to prepare in school?

We are delighted that we will soon have all of our pupils back in school and are currently reviewing the plans we had in place before the Christmas break. We will share the safety measures, timetables and full details with you early next week.

We know many of you will still have worries and concerns about your child returning to school and the time they have missed. We will be hosting a Zoom session on **Wednesday 3rd March at 8pm** to go through our plans and answer any questions so you feel ready and prepared for your child to return to school.

Next week, our team will be planning and preparing for a full return on 8th March by looking at our curriculum and how we can support our families to settle back into school, re-organising classrooms and making school a welcoming environment.

To allow us to balance this with the key worker pupils in school, there will not be any live Zoom sessions or reading sessions on Wednesday 3rd March. Reading activities that you can do at home will be on your child's weekly timetable as next week is our Clarendon Road reading week.

What can you do to prepare at home?

We have been thinking about things the children found hard when they returned after the first lockdown and what you can do at home to help your child with the switch back to full time, in-school learning.

We all know what it is like to return to work after some time off and it is not easy to get back into the swing of things, so we would suggest the following:

- Start to get up at 'normal' school time, getting everyone dressed and fed as if you are getting ready to leave the house
- Make sure your child is going to bed at the 'normal' school bedtime so they can cope with the earlier mornings
- Start limiting those snack/toilet breaks during home learning! We know they are probably eating you out of house & home, so start having snack at school breaktime, lunch when they would usually eat in school and limit trips to the toilet while they are working.

My child has grown out of their uniform, what should I do?

We have made the decision to relax our uniform policy until September 2021.

If your child's uniform still fits, it is fine for them to wear it, but if they have outgrown it please do not feel pressurised to buy new uniform or clothes.

Ideally, we are asking that pupils wear a school jumper, t-shirt or blue PE t-shirt on top with dark leggings/jogging bottoms and trainers on the bottom.

This will mean pupils do not need to wear anything different for PE days and allow us to get them outside and active regularly.

Will school dinners be available?

School dinners can be ordered via the Evolve system. Please make sure you order these the night before.

Will wraparound care be available?

Sunshine Club will be running in the same way it ran before the Christmas break. It must be booked and paid for in advance via ParentApp.

A ParentApp message will be going home soon with details if you wish to use our wraparound care.

What will my child need to bring to school?

If you have borrowed a device from school, please return it and the charging lead next week.

Any White Rose maths workbooks that your child has used at home for maths should be brought into school as we are using these in class.

Any reading books your child has borrowed and their reading record.

Please remember that cloakrooms remain closed so we are asking that pupils do not bring large school bags into school.

Will there be a parents evening this term?

As this term has been so different yet again, we plan to hold Zoom sessions for each key stage so staff can share plans with you about what we will be doing in school to help your child readjust and to help them with their learning.

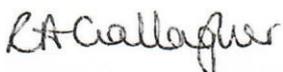
For keyworker pupils who have attended throughout this closure, we will arrange a time for staff to ring those parents and have a chat about how they are doing.

Members of the team are making calls home over the next few days to families who have been at home throughout this lockdown. This will be a chance to chat through any worries or concerns you may have about your child returning to school on Monday 8th.

Please use this call as a chance to let us know if you or your family need support in anyway. We know this lockdown has been particularly hard for many people, especially in the winter months. We want to do everything we can to support you whether that is getting you financial support, relieving your worries about your child returning to school or just having a chance to offload.

As always, if you have any questions or queries, please contact us and we will do our very best to support you.

Stay Safe,



Mrs R Gallagher
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