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Dear Parents/Carers,

I want to start this newsletter by thanking you all for being so vigilant with following guidance on what to do if your child or a member of your household has Covid-19 symptoms or a positive test result.

We have now been fully open since the 3<sup>rd</sup> September and have not had to close any classes or year groups. The precautions we are taking as a school community are working well and I hope will continue to do so. I know if we do find ourselves with a positive case, we will all pull together and do what is needed to reduce the risk of transmission.

### **Teams for Remote Learning:**

We have had 182 families who have completed the parental consent for remote live lessons. Completing this is important to help us prepare in the event that pupils in our school need to move to remote learning. If you have not completed this, please follow this link:

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=s23q1ha\\_kkmgEHn2jjmNvJX8GCY2FiVCukrRF5ct\\_CdUNzNGRFIVRFBQTDNXVkc3SVBUVE9UQ1BDRS4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=s23q1ha_kkmgEHn2jjmNvJX8GCY2FiVCukrRF5ct_CdUNzNGRFIVRFBQTDNXVkc3SVBUVE9UQ1BDRS4u)

### **Accelerated Reader:**

Some parents have asked where to find a list of Accelerated Reader Levelled books. The website to use is:

Arbookfind.co.uk

On this site you can search for books according to your child's book level, as well as look for individual book titles based on authors, topics or titles.

### **Remote Learning Books:**

As we continue to prepare for the possibility of needing to use remote learning, your child will be receiving a Remote Learning exercise book. The book will contain all their logins and passwords for all our different programs and platforms as well as information on how to access 'Teams' for live learning. I have spoken to parents who have said there is a lot of information and logins that are sent home for many different programs, so we have decided to give this to

you altogether in one book. This book can also be used if you child prefers to work on paper when remote learning and photographed and shared with their teacher.

### **Helping Our City This Christmas:**

Portsmouth City Council are promoting a project this year to give a Christmas Hamper to each of the 39 Care Homes in the city.

Our school has volunteered to create four hampers - one from each year group, as we thought this would be a nice thing to do with our children. Each year group will be provided with a big box to create their hampers.

Portsmouth City Council have suggested that included in each hamper, there should be a mixture of non-perishable food items e.g., chocolates, biscuits, crackers, nibbles. If you wish, some Christmas decorations can also be included (hand- made would be lovely) for the care home, as a perfect gift for them all to enjoy. There are no limits to what you can include in the hamper, but they ask that the following three simple rules are followed:

- No alcohol please.
- No candles / things involving a naked flame!
- Everything to be in **original packaging** – so it can easily be cleaned to ensure it is Covid-19 secure.

Children can bring any items for the hampers and give them to their teachers in their classes. All hamper donations should be brought into school by **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2020**. I hope that you will support Portsmouth City Council and our school with this kind project.

### **PE Kits:**

Just a reminder that all children are required to have a PE kit in school.

All children require either, Burgundy/Black shorts and a White T-Shirt, as well as PE shoes. In cold weather, black tracksuit bottoms/ leggings may be worn. All PE kits should be clearly marked and stored in a drawstring PE bag.

Warm Regards

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sara Paine". The signature is written in black ink on a light grey rectangular background.

Mrs Sara Paine