

SHEFFORD LOWER SCHOOL

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Dear Families & Friends,

We appear to be accessing more pupils via Microsoft Teams and seeing children enjoying this is very boosting. Whilst it is not mandatory, We hope you are able to access school for at least one of those sessions each day. We can still organise phone calls if access is challenging, and do try to provide more ways of accessing education than is expected by DfE - this is because we know that one size does not fit all, and everyone's expectation of school during this time is different.

If you have an X-Box or a Playstation, you can also access Microsoft Teams on those devices.

If you are emailing teachers, please always use the email for the school office, so that we can ensure mailboxes are managed. The email is schooloffice@shefford.cbeds.co.uk and we will endeavour to respond as quickly as possible. The school phone number is 01462 629123

Our remote learning team aim to have learning plans with you on a Friday for the week ahead. We know some families prefer to use their weekend times, and it is helpful to know in advance for the week.

We have had a request to inform families who will be on the 'in-school' rota each week. This is not presently feasible, and may also give misinformation should our rotas change at the weekends. We will ensure there is a firm handover from the outgoing staff members and incoming for each bubble.

If you are eligible for a free school meal, then you may already be aware that there is a voucher system from the Local Authority. Parents do not need to do anything differently. Please do ensure we have your latest contact information.

We now have clearer numbers for critical workers and vulnerable children for the week ahead, and where there is capacity, we will ensure priority criteria for school places is applied.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Warmest wishes,

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