

5<sup>th</sup> January 2021

### **School Closure for Most Pupils – Remote Learning Provision for Ursa Major Class**

Dear parents/carers,

All the staff at Halley hope this letter finds you, and your family, well and rested from the holiday break. Following on yesterday's Government announcement, we will be moving to full-time remote provision.

This letter will explain the expectations and your child's online and offline educational provision that will take place over the course of this spring half-term. Whilst your child is at home we do not expect you to be able to fully replicate the school day but they will be expected to complete on average at least 3 hours a day of learning a day which will be a mixture of online and offline learning activities.

**There will be an Ursa Major year group parent meeting on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January at 2pm to further support you with preparing for remote home learning and we hope this will provide you with the opportunity to ask questions.**

All live lessons will take place through TEAMS, the links to lessons will be uploaded on to your child's calendar, and each lesson will be on the same day and at the same time each and every week to support creating good habits and lessen confusion.

#### **Online Live Lessons (everyday)**

##### **TIMETABLE:**

**10.00am** Registration and Math (may need some adult/parent support).

**2.30pm** Literacy and learning check in and/or story.

In the coming few weeks' invites for some small group sessions will be sent out to groups of children for specific activities. Please look out for these in your child's calendar.

On **Fridays:** registration 9.00 - 9.30.

#### **Offline activities**

Your child will be set some offline activities to support their independent learning these will be uploaded through teams as well as on the School website but they will also be expected to:

- **Read Daily** (20mins), this may be set by the teacher through MyOn (with parent support). Your child's MyOn username and password is on the front of their home learning pack envelope.
- **Phonics daily** (15 minutes), see the PowerPoint that will be posted weekly on Teams for your child's phonics.

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- **Home learning grid** these activities will be linked to the online learning that I will do with the children daily. Therefore, the activities on the grid need to be completed.

**What your child will need at home:**

- Equipment: home learning book, pencil, paper.
- Resources in your home learning pack.
- Internet access and a device so that they can access **Microsoft Teams** (tablet, laptop or smartphone).
- Quiet space where they can work without interruption
- Encouraging words of help and support

**What we expect from your child:**

- Be on time to live lessons, making sure their devices are charged.
- Fully and appropriately dressed wearing school jumper or T-shirt for joining lessons.
- To treat their online/virtual classroom as they would their normal classroom e.g. appropriate language and behaviour.

**What we expect from parents/carers:**

- Remain in the same room during your child's live lesson.
- At the start of first lesson parents/carers give a wave/say a quick hello.
- Make sure your child has logged off correctly at the end of the lesson.
- Screenshots, photos or recordings of lessons must not be made.

All lessons will be recorded for those who are not able to attend or due to siblings sharing devices but these lessons must not be shared with others.

For questions and queries you may contact your class teacher via the below email address. Please be mindful that there will be at least a 24 hour response time

[Reception@halley.towerhamlets.sch.uk](mailto:Reception@halley.towerhamlets.sch.uk)

But if you are having technical issues you will need to email us using the below address, either request a technical support phone call stating what the issue is so that we can then make arrangements to address these as soon as possible.

[tecsupport@halley.towerhamlets.sch.uk](mailto:tecsupport@halley.towerhamlets.sch.uk)

Your child can also access further online activities and websites via the School's website page and they can check out specific resources on their class pages.



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## Classes

The classes at Halley are named after constellations:



Nursery - Ursa Minor



Reception - Ursa Major



Year 1 - Pegasus



Year 2 - Leo

Whilst the School is closed to the majority of our families we remain contactable if you are in need of any support so please do not hesitate to contact the School.

### General enquiries

Email: [admin@halley.towerhamlets.sch.uk](mailto:admin@halley.towerhamlets.sch.uk)

Telephone: 020 7265 8061

Safety worries or concerns please email: [safeguarding@halley.towerhamlets.sch.uk](mailto:safeguarding@halley.towerhamlets.sch.uk)

I wish you and your families all the very best at this challenging time and a Happy New Year.

Kind regards,

Helen Towns