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**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2020**

### **FAO - Years 2, 3, 4 and 5 and children in Reception, Years 1 and 6 who have decided not to attend**

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a very busy time in school over the last few weeks – the school has had to change things significantly so that we are ready for a small number of children to return from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June. It has been important to read, digest and put in place all of the guidance from the Government and Durham County Council whilst also completing risk assessments to ensure that we are safe.

For the parents and carers of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6, thank you to everyone for letting us know if your child is going to return or not. It was important to gather these responses to aid us with planning staffing and provision. **This letter is for the parents and carers who have let us know that their child will NOT be returning to school.**

For the parent and carers of children in Years 2, 3, 4 and 5, following the government announcement yesterday that these year groups will not attend school until September, we are sure that you will also have lots of question for how learning is going to continue for your child whilst they continue to be working from home. This letter will hopefully help you to answer these questions.

### **The Virtual Classroom**

All of the weekly plans for each year group will be uploaded on to the school website – these are the same plans as the children in school will be following. This will ensure consistency between home and school.

You can find these plans and resources at:

<http://www.ox-close.durham.sch.uk/virtual-classroom/>

### **Digital Interaction**

We are continuing to investigate how to add digital interaction to further improve our learning offer for this term and beyond. This is currently involving trials of programmes with a small number of children and it is intended to use Microsoft Teams and Zoom for this purpose. This is a complex process but we will keep you informed.

### **Year Group Emails**

Please remember that we continue to have the year group emails – these will continue to be monitored by staff on a regular basis.

The email addresses are as follows:

- [oxclosereception@durhamlearning.net](mailto:oxclosereception@durhamlearning.net)
- [oxcloseyear1@durhamlearning.net](mailto:oxcloseyear1@durhamlearning.net)
- [oxcloseyear2@durhamlearning.net](mailto:oxcloseyear2@durhamlearning.net)



- [oxcloseyear3@durhamlearning.net](mailto:oxcloseyear3@durhamlearning.net)
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- [oxcloseyear5@durhamlearning.net](mailto:oxcloseyear5@durhamlearning.net)
- [oxcloseyear6@durhamlearning.net](mailto:oxcloseyear6@durhamlearning.net)

You can email individual questions you have about any of the work set or share the work that the children have completed.

**My child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 6 and I have changed my mind and would like them to attend. How do I let the school know?**

It is very important that we know that you have changed your mind, please do not just turn up. You can inform us by emailing the school on [oxcloseprimary@durhamlearning.net](mailto:oxcloseprimary@durhamlearning.net) We will then contact you to discuss plans for your child returning to school.

**Keeping in Touch**

We will continue to keep in touch via our normal communication channels. If you have any general questions or concerns then feel free to email [oxcloseprimary@durhamlearning.net](mailto:oxcloseprimary@durhamlearning.net) and someone will get back to you.

Yours faithfully,

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