



- HEADTEACHER: MISS GURDIP KAUR
- ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER: MRS LISA GIBBS
- ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER: MISS LAURA BATEMAN

## Distance Learning arrangements: whole school closure

Dear parents/ carers

As of tomorrow, Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January, all pupils will be taught remotely via Microsoft Teams. This is the remote-learning system we shared with you in the autumn term and will allow daily live teaching and learning to take place, as well as access to work set each day across a range of subjects. Our parent guide to Teams is being sent out again with this letter should you need it.

Pupils were all sent home with a letter at the end of November containing their log-on details to access Teams. Hopefully, you have stored this in a safe place and can still put your hands on it. However, should you need a reminder of your child's log-on information, please email your child's class teacher using the correct email address below. We would appreciate you attempting to locate the letter please as it will take a significant amount of time for teachers to email thirty people individually to re-share this personal information.

Class	Teacher	Email
Ayres	Mr West	<a href="mailto:pwest@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk">pwest@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk</a>
Matisse	Miss Wong	<a href="mailto:swong@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk">swong@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk</a>
Picasso	Miss Bowers	<a href="mailto:fbowers@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk">fbowers@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk</a>
Lewis	Mrs Bromwich	<a href="mailto:nbromwich@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk">nbromwich@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk</a>
Rowling	Mrs Moody	<a href="mailto:hmoody@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk">hmoody@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk</a>
Dahl	Miss Hendrickson	<a href="mailto:lhendrickson@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk">lhendrickson@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk</a>
Archimedes	Miss Buckley	<a href="mailto:ebuckley@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk">ebuckley@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk</a>
Da Vinci	Mrs Lewis	<a href="mailto:slewis7@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk">slewis7@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk</a>
Engelbart	Mr Carter	<a href="mailto:gcarter@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk">gcarter@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk</a>
Aristotle	Miss Ryan	<a href="mailto:bryan@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk">bryan@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk</a>
Galileo	Mr Woodcock	<a href="mailto:dwoodcock@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk">dwoodcock@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk</a>
Einstein	Miss Watt	<a href="mailto:kwatt@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk">kwatt@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk</a>

As the whole school will be participating in distance learning, we appreciate that our live sessions for each year group will need staggering to help as many pupils as possible access their class teacher's support. The arrangements are as follows:

	English live input	Maths live input
Year 6	8:45	11:45
Year 5	9:30	13:00
Year 4	10:15	13:45
Year 3	11:00	14:30

We anticipate live sessions lasting about 20-30 mins but longer slots provide enough time for households to join a session, read the assignment and setup for the next lesson if needed for a sibling.

Your child can expect a content similar to this each week. After participating in live teaching inputs, we intend pupils to be able to complete much of their learning independently:

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
Daily live English input and an independent assignment set to complete and 'turn in' Approx. 1 hour				
Daily live maths input and an independent assignment set to complete and 'turn in' Approx. 1 hour				
Daily reading 20-30 mins				
All pupils can access thousands of books on myON using the log-in details provided to them in December				
Practise spellings daily on Spelling Shed 15 mins				
Practise times tables daily on TT Rock Stars 10 mins				
Daily physical activity 30 mins				
Science/ project Approx. 1-1.5 hours	Science/ project Approx. 1-1.5 hours	PSHE Approx. 1 hour	RE or music or French Approx. 1 hour	Picture News Approx. 1 hour

Teams can be accessed using a variety of technology including PCs, laptops, Chromebooks and tablets. Mobile phones are also a possibility but are the least favoured option due to their restrictions. Should you have none of the technology listed for your child to be able to access remote learning, please do let us know so that a paper pack of weekly tasks can be prepared for collection. We see this as the last resort because pupils learning in this way will not experience any live sessions with their teacher and classmates, nor will they learn the same content as the pupils participating via Teams.

Our hearts go out to you once again as we are forced to shift to remote learning; many of us are parents too and will be joining you in juggling work and home-schooling. We will continue to do our utmost to provide a good quality of education for pupils with the resources we have available, and are always on hand to support in any way we can.

Once again, let's dig deep for our patience and understanding, and stand by one another to get through these challenging times.

Many thanks for your support and apologies once again for the short notice of the move to distance learning.

Kind regards

*Mrs Lisa Gibbs*

Assistant Headteacher

**Inspiring the learning journey!**