



Friday 29th January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers.

Thank you so much for taking the time to complete our recent Parent Survey – we are so grateful to everyone for their very positive feedback and also suggestions of how we could further develop our offer at Grove Park. 125 families, with children in a range of year groups, completed the survey and this has enabled us to gain a good idea of how things are going for families as we continue to teach the children from afar. We have attached the survey results with this letter.

Our remote learning during this most recent school closure was designed using parent and staff feedback - focusing on the key elements of teacher explanations, pupil engagement and motivation and children receiving feedback on their work. It was evident in the survey that the live lessons and use of Google Classroom have proved positive for families - this was wonderful to hear!

Please remember that messages for the Class Teacher are to be sent to info@grovepark as usual rather than on Google Classroom.

Whilst many parents asked that we do not change our current remote learning offer, a similar number suggested that small group work would be beneficial for their child/ren. We will continue to conduct the live lessons in groups of 60 as one teacher is needed to manage the children's behaviour, interactions, questions and the technology. This means that the teacher who is delivering the lesson is able to purely focus on curriculum content, vocabulary and explanations. In the individual comments, some parents also explained that the live lessons can sometimes be too long for younger age groups and that their child would like to be able to interact more directly with their class teacher.

In light of this parental feedback and also discussions with staff, we are going to be introducing the following to our remote learning offer:

Nursery, Reception and Year 1

- Children will have a small group Zoom with their own class teacher once a week (15/20mins);
- Parents can sign up for a time on a Google Doc and choose one slot a week;
- There will be about 6 children in each group;
- Children who are accessing the in-school provision will form one group and so their parents will not need to sign up;
- The session will be a structured teaching opportunity e.g. modelling writing or maths strategies; comprehension or phonics practice; speech and language work.

Year 2 – 6

- Live lessons will be kept 'open' for about 10/15 minutes for the children to ask questions within a small group and for the teacher to model the task and/or address misconceptions. If children are confident and ready to start their work they can of course leave at the end of the live lesson as normal.

Year 6

There will be one more live lesson each day for Year 6 as there are 3 teachers in this year group and the children are able to work more independently at home. These will of course be recorded so your child will still be able to access the lesson at a more convenient time for your family.

We hope that these slight adaptations will further support your child and you. They are all optional, so if you are happy with the current offer nothing will need to change. The above additions will start on Monday 1st February and further details will be in the weekly Parentmail from the Class Teacher.

We noted from the survey that just over 25% of children are sharing devices. We have 12 laptops in school that are available for use. If your child is sharing a device, please email info@grovepark with the number of devices and number of children in household to be placed on a waiting list.

Our huge thanks to you all once again for keeping our community safe, supporting your children so well at home and sharing your suggestions and ideas.

Kind regards,



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