



Rothwell Primary School



# Coronavirus Update.

Wednesday 18th March, 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

As I'm sure you will appreciate, we are doing our very best to provide security and calm space for our children. I would like to thank so many of you for recognising how difficult it is for all school staff. We only have the same information as yourselves, with no prior, or very little additional information.

We do have several members of staff who have had to self-isolate, as a precautionary measure. I would like to recognise the wonderful team of staff that we have here. Members of the team who have needed to self-isolate, are still doing what they can to support the team from home.

Over the next 24 hours, we will be sending home a separate letter and an additional learning pack for children in each phase. We are combining online learning and necessary paper packs.

In order to help us provide the right support, we need to know whether you have internet access at home to support online learning. For children in EYFS and KS1, we have sent home a yellow slip, to complete and return to school tomorrow. For KS2 children will, please confirm this in their planners.

If your child is not at school, as they are self-isolating, please e-mail school asap. [admin@rothwell-pri.leeds.sch.uk](mailto:admin@rothwell-pri.leeds.sch.uk) to inform us if you have internet provision at home. The purpose of this is so that we know how to best support the children's learning in the eventuality of school closing.

We now have access to Rising Stars Reading Planet, which complements our reading scheme. All pupils have now been assigned a username and password to access the reading books on Rising Stars Reading Planet. There is a wide range of books available to read online. Each book is followed by a short quiz. Over the next few days, teachers will be assigning books for pupils to read. To access the site please type in: [my.risingstars-uk.com](http://my.risingstars-uk.com)

You will then be prompted to add your child's username, password (rothwell) and school centre ID number (211101). Your child's username will be sent home with their individual work pack. This is a resource we had already signed up for, but have now acted to set up quickly, in order for you to access at home.

If your child is self-isolating, we will have packs available to support their learning. If someone you know is already coming into school (to pick their child up as normal ) **after school tomorrow**, please ask them to collect a pack from outside the office area and to post it through your door.

You do not need to call us either way. If this is not possible, arrangements will be made for children whose packs are not collected.

During this period, if you do not need to use your Kidz Club or Breakfast Club place and you inform us **on the day, or beforehand**, (whether your child/ren is attending school or not), we will **NOT** charge you for their place, with this being exceptional circumstances. This will help with staffing too, as we do not know what the next week holds. We are unable to offer additional places at this time, but aim to provide for the existing users of this service.

If changes happen for individual classes, we will e-mail yourselves. Once again, your support and understanding with any changes is essential and appreciated. Working together is key, as I am sure you would agree.

Many thanks, to you all, your amazing children and our fantastic team.

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