



### 1. WE ASKED – YOU SAID – WE DID!

Following our questionnaire sent out this week regarding remote learning we are delighted that the majority of our families feel we are doing very well with our provision of online learning. There is always room for improvement though and we have taken on board constructive feedback provided and are now working towards implementing your feedback.



Starting next week:

- You will begin to see daily live lessons being delivered in Literacy and/or maths also, along with the live lessons that were already being delivered. Live lessons will differ across stages however to take account of each class set up,
- If you require additional tasks please email you child's class teacher and they will be more than happy to set this up, staff will also try to make sure feedback on work handed in is provided,
- Learning packs have been created for children who are unable to fully access online learning and these will be delivered to homes next week,
- Microsoft button - Unfortunately, this feature is a fixture of teams and it can't be edited. Teachers are very aware of this notification, however, please be assured that they are very grateful whenever you manage to hand in any work,
- SUMDOG - Assignments set by the class teacher will be open for a full week. You can access and complete these at any time during this week. Once the assignment is completed, your child can still access and play Sumdog as normal,
- If your child is attending school as (keyworker-vulnerable category) then they get the exact same learning that the child at home is getting. The children in school logon each day also and are guided by their own class teacher online. There are 2 teachers that come in each week on a rota basis 1 in the infants and 1 in the upper school and they still deliver online learning to their own classes whilst making sure the children in class are engaging with their online learning. The HT is in school every day so if you need anything at all please just get in contact even if it's just for a chat to let me know how you are getting on,
- Class teachers will upload work the night before (by 8pm) for the next day to allow you to get organised and see what the learning is before-hand,
- Documents will be sent that can be edited and that way there is no need for printing **(An online video has been created on the home page of our website to show you how to do this on a computer or other device using the link below:**

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/nl/newmonklandps/>

- If you feel the need to share excellent work that your child has been doing beyond what has been provided please do so, it can be sent directly to the teachers' email address and it can also be posted on our TWITTER page
- If you feel there is too much work for your child then do what you can, when you can and we don't expect you to do it all but it is there if you want to do it all,
- At the end of each live lesson the class teacher will remain live and be there for anyone who has further questions and maybe doesn't want to ask with everyone else there, so if your child is unsure please tell them to stay on once the live is finished as the class teacher will answer any questions they have then,
- If your child can't make the live lesson the resources will still be available for them and they can complete at a time that suits them better.

## 2. ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

A huge thank you to all our parents/carers for supporting your child with their online learning this week. Our attendance is excellent across all classes and we are sitting at 97% again which is outstanding for this week. If your child has not engaged this week then their class teacher will give you a check in call to see if there is anything we can do to help you and your child engage with online learning.

## 3. FINAL THOUGHTS

We are aware that home learning can be difficult and it certainly can cause umpteen arguments in our homes too trying to juggle work commitments and support our children in the best way we can also. What we are giving you is 'school learning.' It is from us and by us! We want to work WITH YOU and FOR YOU too and anything we can do to help you we most certainly will. We hope you find the above useful in going forward with remote learning.

Just remember though not everything about learning is the school doing things to you. We connect you to the curriculum, which is important but you connect your child to something of even greater importance – you connect them to themselves and the world around them. You give them a sense of self; self-confidence, self-belief and self-esteem for starters, so please go easy on yourself.

Here are 3 simple messages from the staff at NMPS to you!

1. Do your best
2. If you get things done then great
3. If not **DO NOT** worry

