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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all continuing to stay well and keep safe during this difficult time. I would also like to thank everyone for their continued support with completing work at home and helping children to stay in contact with myself, their class teachers and their friends. I am always delighted to see your children's work and photographs of the activities they are taking part in at home so, once again, thank you!

# **Office Hours**

During lockdown, the Academy Office will close at 3.30pm so if you need to speak to someone urgently, please call before 3.15pm. If your call is not urgent, please leave a message on the answer phone or email admin@skegbyjunioracademy.org.

# **IT Support for Parents**

If you require further IT support, please see the link on our website as Greenwood Academies Trust IT Team are there to help.

## **Messaging Teachers**

I am sure you will agree that our Class Teachers are amazing and they are always willing to help! I would like to remind parents that it is not appropriate to contact staff at weekends, in the evenings or through the night. Staff will reply to messages between 8am and 5pm, weekdays only and they will not phone parents on their personal mobiles, from their own homes. Thank you for your support in this matter.

## **Increase Data Allowance**

If you are using a mobile phone to access your child's learning at the moment, we may be able to help some families increase their data allowance, free of charge. To find out if you are eligible for this please call Mrs Warren on 01623 460329, between 9.30 and 11.30. You will need to provide the account holder's name, the mobile number and the name of your network.

We also have some voucher codes from BT to allow parents to access free data. Once again, if this is something you need, please call Mrs Warren and she will help.

## **X Boxes and Play Stations**

Lots of our children have X Boxes and Play Stations so I am very pleased to tell you that they can access Teams on both devices. It may work well if children joined class sessions live and then completed the work in a paper learning pack (the work in the pack is the same as the work on line). Please let your class teacher know if you would like a paper pack.

## **Paper Learning Packs**

If your child is using a paper learning pack and you would like feedback from your child's class teacher, please return your child's work at the end of each week. Work should be brought to the main gate. Feedback will be given via Class Dojo.



# **Rapid Covid 19 Testing for School Staff**

I am sure you will have heard in the media that the Government are introducing Covid 19 tests for staff working in Primary Schools. Skegby Junior Academy will be taking part in this. If a member of staff tests positive, then it may mean that a bubble will need to close. If your child is attending school at the moment, please be aware that you will need to make alternative arrangements should this happen. Thank you for your support in this matter, it is a very important part of our fight against the virus as one in three people who have Covid 19 are asymptomatic.

Diary Dates Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February – The Academy closes for half term Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – INSET Day Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – The second part of the Spring term begins

Please stay in contact with us as much as possible, either through your child's class teacher or by phoning or emailing the Academy Office.

Take care of yourselves and your loved ones and stay safe! We are all looking forward to seeing you and your children as soon as it is safe to do so.

Kind regards, Mrs Marples. Principal.

