



Birchington CE Primary School

Term 3 2021

Following just one full day back at school the Government announced its next national lockdown. This meant that from Tuesday 5th January 2021 our school was only open to the children whose parents were key workers and those children who are classed as vulnerable.

At present, our year groups currently have just one or two 'bubbles' of children. Those children have quickly adapted to being with different adults and peers and are continuing to enjoy a full and enriched curriculum.

We have come a long way since the previous full lock down in terms of our remote learning. Our children now access their learning on the electronic One Note (Yr1-6) or Tapestry (YrR). Each online lesson throughout the day includes at least one teacher led video/demonstration and the work is monitored and can be live marked by teachers. We have also been supporting our families at home with regular phone calls and access to staff emails.

To support families without electronic devices we have been able to supply laptops to ensure our children are not missing out on their learning.

We have also sent out website links to enable our families to access collective worships and prayer resources from Canterbury Diocese.

Despite the disruption to normality our staff and pupils remain upbeat and positive. We have received many heart-warming messages of thanks from our families. Messages that mean so much to us all.

We hope that everyone in our local community is staying safe and well. You are all in our prayers at this difficult time.

