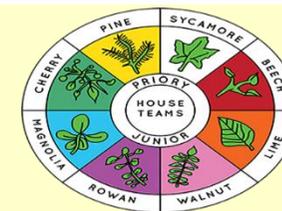




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This is the first bulletin of the new year and I was not expecting to write this with most of our children working remotely again. I am so appreciative as are the team for your support with these last-minute changes – I like you was sitting watching Boris Johnson speak on Monday night at 8pm and did not know he was going to announce the closure of schools and I know how difficult it must have been to change your plans overnight. So, thank you for bearing with us in this difficult situation and please be patient if there are any teething problems – the staff team have yet again been amazing – within a day they had uploaded a revised week's timetable adapting their lessons for remote learning as well as planning for children in school. They adapted the catering arrangements that had already been set, helped support you with tech issues and been on hand to answer any queries and to help you with collecting things from school. They should all be clapped for being the heroes that they are! We do understand that the return to remote learning is not easy – I have a son who is reluctant to complete work at home so I know what it can be like but work together with us to ensure that your child is continuing to learn – we are here every step of the way. I hope you have a relaxing weekend – take care. Mrs Brown.

Remote Learning until February Half Term.

We have received updated guidance from the Government as of yesterday and their expectation is very clear of the learning they expect to see being offered remotely to our families. Since the last school closure, we have been refining our remote offer, have become more competent with our learning platforms Seesaw and Microsoft Teams and we are expected to offer a digital platform by the Government. Currently we are not expected to deliver live lessons but we see the benefit of that interaction with our classes. We will re-send our remote offer letter out to you next week to remind you of how remote learning looks at Priory because this differs from school to school. Please support your child with their learning and encourage them to participate fully. I do know that is not easy – particularly if you are juggling your own job as I am doing with remote learning. If you are struggling with the technology to access the offer or your child is struggling to engage with the learning please get in touch and we will look for a way forward.

Mrs Clark has found this link to show you how you can access Microsoft Teams on your X Box or Play Station which might be useful !
<https://www.thenorthernecho.co.uk/news/18991370.get-zoom-office-xbox-one-ps4/>

Critical workers latest guidance

We want to support our critical worker parents as they play their part in the Covid 19 response to the pandemic. To ensure that we keep the numbers of children to safe levels in school can we share the Government guidance that states 'parents and carers of critical workers should keep their children at home if they can.' Please only continue to access a place for your child if they cannot stay at home. We want to make sure there are enough spaces in school to allow parents/carers who play a critical role in the response to the pandemic to have that provision available.

