

Stoneydelph Primary School

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Dear Parents,

It was a huge disappointment to hear on the news last night that schools may not reopen until 8th March at the earliest. Both schools and parents were hoping to see some light at the end of the tunnel but there is still a long way to go and more weeks of home schooling are ahead of us.

The criteria to admit pupils into school remains very strict and we are now at capacity in all year groups from Y1-6. I understand how challenging it is for parents who are trying to juggle working from home and keeping up with the remote learning that teachers are setting. I can see that as a parent myself. I want to reassure you all that there is no pressure to complete everything that is provided. You are all working under different circumstances and we appreciate everything that you are doing to support your children's education at home. It is a huge task for our staff to provide exactly what each child needs but they are always available during the school day to help any parent or child that needs it.

If there are any parents / carers who do not need their child to attend school as they can be safely cared for at home please let us know as soon as possible. Children of critical workers should only be attending school when parent's work commitments mean they cannot be safely cared for at home. By keeping the numbers in school as low as possible we are doing what the government has asked us to do in order to prevent the spread of the virus in our community.

We have more laptops available for any families who are struggling to access technology. Please get in touch if your child would benefit from a device and you have WIFI at home. Free Mobile data SIM top-up cards are also available for anyone that needs one.

Thank you for your support during this challenging time and the enthusiasm you have shown keeping your children engaged with the learning. I will be sending a short parent survey about remote learning to all parents / carers soon. We welcome your thoughts and hope this will help us to further improve the quality of remote learning provision for our pupils. I personally wish to thank our teachers and support staff too, who have proved their dedication to your children whilst managing their own family commitments and children's continued education. The whole team has gone above and beyond and I am very proud of you all. Thank you and stay safe.

Yours faithfully, Mrs E Parsons Headteacher