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Dear Parents,

Lockdown - January 2021

I am deeply saddened to once again be in the position of closing school to most pupils, however, given the current infection rates, it is clearly the safest decision.

Fortunately, we have a fantastic staff team who are experienced in providing quality remote learning. Our Google suite is already set up for all pupils and is an established way of learning for many of our pupils. We also have several other online resources available to us that pupils are familiar with.

These can be easily accessed from the school website page '[Home learning support](#)'

Home Learning Support

Online Learning Links – click on the icons to access our online learning resources.



Amazon have made a collection of stories available to stream on 'Audible for free'

Pupils in Years 3,4,5 and 6 already have access details for google. Access details for online learning for pupils in years 1, 2 and Reception will be sent out tomorrow.

As you can appreciate, given the limited notice from the Government, there will be some aspects of remote learning that may not be available instantly. For example we have not been able to source and provide children with work booklets / exercise books to record work or reading books as was the case in March. We are likely to operate a drop-off and collect mechanism again.



As in March, we will be providing in-school provision for some pupils - details of qualifying pupils can be found [here](#). If you believe you qualify for your children to be in school, please complete this [form](#).

If you are unsure and would like to discuss this please email the school: admin@littlegaddesden.herts.sch.uk and we will be in touch.

There are still some aspects of this lockdown that have not yet been communicated to schools. Once we have more information I will again be in touch.

Over the last few months, we have all become increasingly aware of the need to proactively look after our well-being and maintain good mental health. I also know that for many of you the demands of remote learning brings other challenges. As part of our remote learning we will include well-being activities and links. Please also remember that each family will need to establish their own routines that are manageable. Learning in this way is far more intense than being in a classroom with peers; set realistic expectations and ensure to take regular breaks - outside if possible.

Our strong, supportive community managed our last lockdown remarkably effectively and myself and my staff are happy to offer support where we can. Should you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours faithfully,



Lorna Elkes

