

Dear Parents/Carers of

It has been a real pleasure to welcome all the children back into school for this new academic year.

We sincerely hope it does not happen, but due to the increased prevalence of C-19 locally a class bubble, a year group or even the whole school may be asked to isolate at some point in the future.

In readiness for any future periods of isolation or lockdown, we have put into place an enhanced online learning provision which will enable us to continue teaching the children from our current curriculum remotely. To facilitate this, we will be using Microsoft Teams.

All of the children have been set up with an individual Microsoft Office 365 account. Passwords are randomly generated and can be changed once you have logged in.

Your child's log in details are:

Username:

Password:

They will be shown in school this week how to access their account and navigate around Microsoft Teams. In addition, attached to this letter are some instructions for accessing Teams. It includes how to find work which has been set and how to 'Turn in' work once it has been completed.

If a whole class or year group is in isolation, there will be regular communication and lesson instruction by video over Teams, at 9.30am each day after an initial two days of isolation. The children will therefore need access to a device with a camera, a microphone and access to the internet. Please contact Reception if this is likely to be difficult for your child.

Please note, whilst your child's log in details look like an email address, they will not be able to send or receive email, it is simply a way of accessing their individual student account.

If children are required to isolate due to a family member showing C-19 symptoms, but the child is fit and well themselves, we will provide work for them to complete via the school website: <https://www.dinglewelljuniors.co.uk/home-learning/>

In this instance we will not be able to provide video contact with their teacher, because they will be teaching the rest of their class. We do not expect any work to be completed by children who are ill themselves (whether this is C-19 or any other illness): the important thing is for them to rest and recover.

Thank you in anticipation of your support with this new system, and as always, please don't hesitate to get in contact via [admin@dinglewell-jun.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@dinglewell-jun.gloucs.sch.uk) or 01452 617 376 if you have any issues or queries,

With kind regards,

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