



Zooming at Kingsmoor!



The Kingsmoor team are really impressed with all pupils and families, all trying their best with this new way of online learning – well done all! Just a few key pointers which will hopefully make the Zoom lessons run smoothly, ease anxieties and help support each child's/families' needs.

If you have any specific questions/queries/feedback or thoughts, please email your child's class teacher via the home learning email: homelearning.sch210@educ.somerset.gov.uk

Information for all pupils when on Zoom. Please...

- Keep yourself on mute unless your teacher tells you otherwise
- Respect your friends/teacher when they are talking and listen to each other – one voice at a time
- Have your work pack ready and be organised with your pen/pencil. Try and check the blog before the lesson to see what you will need to have ready
- Sit in a comfortable place/position where you won't be distracted
- Do not bring any toys/unnecessary devices to a zoom session with you – this is distracting for you and others
- Treat your lessons like you would in the classroom – therefore ideally no eating during this time
- Siblings should not join the sessions if at all possible – parents are welcome!
- Do not use the draw facility on zoom – no one should be drawing on the screen
- **Only** use the chat/message facility if you are asked to do so by your teacher
- Do not private message anyone during the sessions
- When the teacher is sharing their screen, they are unable to see all children and may miss a 'hand up'. Please be patient or unmute yourself to talk to your teacher.
- If you need further help with your ask your teacher to explain further at the end of the session. It may be difficult to address everyone's needs during the main session but your teacher will happily talk to you afterwards – **remember it doesn't matter if you don't understand absolutely everything – the majority of your learning is always revisited**

Please note the school blogs state the structure for each day. The work for afternoon lessons such as topic/science/art etc. are shared on the blog. This work is also expected to be completed. Please keep this in your work pack ready for collection by your teacher.

What pupils/parents shouldn't worry about:

- Do not worry if your internet/signal drops out and you leave the meeting – these things happen. Teachers completely understand it is not your fault. Try and join again if possible – or send a message to school if experiencing difficulties. Please refer to the year group blogs on the Kingsmoor website <http://www.kingsmoorprimaryschool.co.uk/remote-learning.html> for information on lessons if your signal does disappear
- Zoom sessions will vary in times depending on the year group. We are aware that screen time can be intensive and exhausting for both pupils and staff! Staff will do their best to keep content and screen time to an appropriate amount per year group

- If a lesson runs over time and you need to leave, it is perfectly ok to do so. Do as much as you can and if possible, complete the rest independently. We are aware parents may also need technology for their work too!
- Equally, if you are available to offer support after the initial introduction has been delivered by the teacher, you may prefer to support your child independently and decide not to stay for the whole zoom session. Let your class teacher know if this is the case.
- Contact your class teacher if your child is having difficulties accessing the content of the zooms – we will do our best to support.
- We know every child/family are doing their very best – so please be kind to yourself! No need to get upset if a particular lesson isn't completed or something comes up at home – email your teacher to explain – we will completely understand.

Work submission and next collection of packs

- This first work pack should be kept neat and tidy with all your work inside. It will be collected in when you are asked to collect your next work pack from school. The date for collection will be emailed to you around the 18th January.
- Any work your child completes during the afternoon sessions should be **submitted to the home learning email homelearning.sch210@educ.somerset.gov.uk** Please do not use the school mail box for this.
- Class 1 and Year 1 pupils should continue to use Tapestry as their means of uploading work and communication
- Teachers will review and assess submitted work to gain a level of understanding for your child and identify any misconceptions for future learning.

Kingsmoor staff fully appreciate all the support you are giving your child to help them access this additional provision and online live lessons. We are extremely proud of the pupils and staff for implementing this so promptly and effectively, enabling your child's education to continue as best as we possibly can under the current challenging circumstances.

For the remaining weeks, please ensure you continue to communicate directly with your child's class teacher via the home learning email or alternatively, request they give you a call via the school office/text, should your child experience difficulties or appear anxious at any point. It really is ok to do this so please do not hesitate!

Most importantly...

We know every child/family are doing their very best – so please be kind to yourself and others! Do not compare yourself to others. Please don't get upset if a lesson isn't completed or something comes up at home. Email the class teacher to explain – we will completely understand. Please use:

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