



Edgewood Primary School

Building skills and values for life

January - Home learning

Dear parent / carer,

As we enter the second week of the national lockdown I thought it would be good to write to you about our home learning offer.

Our home-learning offer consists of content on two main platforms: SeeSaw and Teams.

Alongside this we also have work continuing on Spelling and Maths Shed each week

Accessing SeeSaw and Teams

Both SeeSaw and Teams can be accessed from almost any connected device. These include: X-Box, Playstation, any smart phone, any internet connected TV or any internet connected tablet, laptop or computer. With this list we think that almost all households will have at least one device that can access the children's learning, possibly more.

If you still have no device to access home learning then please contact school so we can help.

We have produced some guides to help you.

Access SeeSaw on X-Box

[SeeSaw on X-box.pdf \(edgewoodprimaryschool.co.uk\)](#)

Access SeeSaw on Playstation

[SeeSaw on Playstation.pdf \(edgewoodprimaryschool.co.uk\)](#)

These videos have been produced by other people to help access Microsoft Teams

How to access Teams on an Xbox

[How to access Teams and Emails using Xbox or PS4 - YouTube](#)

How to access Teams on a PlayStation

<https://www.psu.com/news/how-to-access-microsoft-teams-on-ps4-and-ps5/>

How to install Google Play on an Amazon tablet

(so you can then install the Teams App to access Teams)

https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.howtogeek.com/232726/how-to-install-the-google-play-store-on-your-amazon-fire-tablet/amp/?fbclid=IwAR2Io2wNPYJpNSEXyhAOcD8lp1CzNSKu69K8aFJEBh_cnQamvIHjcwqE8HM

On SeeSaw

We will post instructional videos, lesson material and lots of other information is uploaded to your child's SeeSaw portfolio every day. These will be approved, looked at and appropriate comments, marking or feedback given as required. Please note this does not mean we will mark every single question or all pieces of work – we will do what is needed to give the right feedback to each child.

Teams

Live sessions will happen in Microsoft Teams (which we used for the autumn parents' evenings).

We have set up an email address for each child to access Teams – please use this as we cannot shield your emails from other users of Teams.

Foundation Stage are doing more live sessions as their children need more interactive content whereas KS1 and 2 are putting more written and recorded content on SeeSaw.

In KS1 and KS2, we will be using live sessions for drop-in sessions where your child can ask if they are stuck on something, need some advice or simply would like to say hi to their teacher or other members of their class.

We will also be holding weekly PSHE sessions where the children of critical workers in school can see and interact with their classmates at home.

Live sessions

As soon as we have finalised all the elements of our live sessions timetable we will publish it on our website and send the link out to all parents.

We have committed as a school that we will only do 1 live session across school at a time so that those of you with pupils in multiple classes will not have children needing to access live sessions at the same time. Please bear with us if there are any teething troubles with these sessions.

We will also be sending home an 'appropriate use agreement' for all content posted online. Please read this through with your children before they participate in any sessions and ensure that all members of the household abide by the agreement. Anyone breaching it will, unfortunately not be able to access any further content.

Work packs and children unable to access online content

I know we have been asked for work packs by a number of parents. We are reluctant to give out work packs as any child using them will miss the instructions to complete most of this work which will put them at a serious disadvantage.

If you are struggling to access online content please contact school. With the range of devices that can access SeeSaw and Teams we should be able to help you get connected and we can also access some provision from the DfE for internet connections.

Spring parents' evenings

Thinking ahead, parents' evenings were due in late March. If school is still closed to all pupils, we will not hold these parents' evenings. If they do go ahead they will be by Teams appointments again and we will be in contact about them a few weeks before if they are going ahead. In the meantime, teachers will be contacting everyone that isn't in school so please raise any concerns during these phone calls.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'A Seeley'.

Mr Seeley

Headteacher.