

W/C 11 January 2021

### **Term Dates**

Closes — 12 February 2021

Opens — 22 February 2021

Closes — 1 April 2021

Opens — 13 April 2021

May Day — 3 May 2021

Closes— 28 May 2021

Open — 7 June 2021

INSET Day— 25 June 2021

Closes - 21 July 2021

Open — 2 September 2021

### **Key Dates**

**15.1.21**—Closing date for Reception Admissions

5.1.21 - World Braille Day

17.1.21 — World Religion Day

**18.1.21** – Martin Luther King Day

**25.1.21** – Burns' Night

**27.1.21** – Holocaust

Memorial Day

1.2.21 – Storytelling Week

**1.2.21** – Children's Mental Health Week

8.1.21 – Individual Learning Plan Meetings

**8/9.2.21** – Y6 Virtual Parents' Evenings

9.2.2021 – Safer Internet Day

**12.2.21** – School closes

22.2.21 – School reopens

**23.2.20** – Y6 Virtual SATs Information Evening

# Welcome Back!

We would like to wish you all a Happy New Year. We are sorry we cannot welcome you all back, but we are fully prepared to help you with home learning should your child need to access school work at home. A plan has been put into place to accommodate critical workers' children and vulnerable learners, and to implement our remote learning contingency plan. We took the difficult decision to close school to all pupils on Tuesday 5 January 2021. I sincerely apologise for any inconvenience caused, but this was necessary due to the very short notice we received in relation to this period of national lockdown. As a profession, we learnt of the immediate closure at the same time as parents.

We have carefully considered the feedback we received relating to home learning, during the previous period of school closure, and we understand the limitations parents have when educating their child at home, plus the challenges home learning can bring. With this in mind, we will be providing a combination of live and pre-recorded videos lessons in the coming weeks.

Y1-6: Within the children's Teams account, teachers will upload the weekly home learning timetables. These are a guide and pupils/parents can use these flexibly when planning the home learning for the day. The length of time given to each subject is also a guide. When planning the lessons and timetable for the week, we have considered how to engage pupils and keep them motivated when learning from home. We have tried to make the lessons and activities achievable and manageable. Whilst there appears to be a reliance on the need for digital technology, school can also provide paper-based learning packs of the same lessons for the families who struggle with digital access to learning. Please contact your child's teacher to let them know you would like a paper-based pack of home learning activities for collection from the school office. They can be contacted using the following email addresses:

Alder@akroydon.trinitymat.org

Birch@akroydon.trinitymat.org

Hawthorn@akroydon.trinitymat.org

Holly@akroydon.trinitymat.org

Linden@akroydon.trinitymat.org

Oak@akroydon.trinitymat.org

Yew@akroydon.trinitymat.org

Ash@akroydon.trinitymat.org

Elm@akroydon.trinitymat.org

Hazel@akroydon.trinitymat.org

Juniper@akroydon.trinitymat.org

Maple@akroydon.trinitymat.org

Willow@akroydon.trinitymat.org

Please access Teams through the following link:

## https://www.microsoft.com/en-gb/microsoft-365/microsoft-teams/group-chat-software

**FS:** Your child's home learning will be e-mailed to you daily on a 'Sway' page which will be easier for your child to access independently.

**Nursery:** Your child's Sway page will be e-mailed to you, if you have chosen to keep your child at home. Nursery will remain open for all Nursery children, in line with government policy.

We are committed to providing high quality lessons for pupils learning at home, whilst also providing the same for pupils who are attending school. classes. Teachers are doing their very best to adapt to this new situation and will continue to learn and improve things as we go along.

## Accelerated Readers - KS2 only

Accelerated Readers is a computer program that helps teachers manage and monitor children's independent reading practice. Your child picks a book at their own level and reads it at his/her own pace. When finished, your child takes a short quiz on the computer - passing the quiz is an indication that your child has understood what has been read. We'd like to encourage all our Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 pupils to access their accounts and get reading! The log in details information is in the front of each child's planner.

### https://ukhosted53.renlearn.co.uk/2250283/

# Free school meals

If your child is eligible for free school meals (not universal infant meals for Reception or KS1), and they are learning from home, we will be in connect regarding meal arrangements for the duration of the school closure.

We look forward to the day we can welcome all our children back into school, to play and learn together, but in the meantime, we must all continue to play our part to keep our community and loved ones safe.



# Trinity Academy Akroydon's Stars of the Week

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about your child's experience
here!

# Classroom

# **Early Years**

Acorns— Jaxx S. For recognising the initial sounds in his friends names, during our Phonics sessions.

Alder— Emily E. For her excellent yoga skills in PE!

Ash— Maya M. For engaging with all activities in class and playing nicely with her friends.

# KS1

Birch— Ashleigh-Jade G. For being enthusiastic and encouraging others to answer.

Elm— Oscar T. For good participation and perseverance in school this week.

# **Lower KS2**

Hazel— Harrison M. For impressing Mr Carberry whilst trying hard with his spelling and handwriting.

Holly— Amelia G. For settling in well into the new term, in a tricky situation, and working really hard in class.

Juniper— Kaisea B. For putting 100% effort into her first week back. It has really shown in the work she has been producing already.

Linden—Jessica B. For working super hard straight away and adapting to all of the changes in school to stay safe.

# **Upper KS2**

Maple— **Lexie-Leigh B.** For settling into the bubble and staying focused throughout all our lessons. She has shown great enthusiasm, particularly in our English lessons. Fantastic work, Lexie-Leigh!

Oak— Katie S. For coming in and getting on with a 'business as usual' attitude.

Willow—Charlie T. For being a determined mathematician who is fully engaged in his learning. He has tried his best this week, making the most of being in school. Well done!

Yew—Willow H. For taking things in her stride and continuing to produce high quality work.

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**Home Learning** 

# **Mathletics Champions**

KS1— Tilly-May M (Hawthorn)
KS2— Laura T (Linden)

# **Accelerated Readers**

1st—Faithe O (Juniper) 2nd Bobbi H (Holly) 3rd Amelia W (Juniper)

## **Early Years**

Alder — Maddison H. For her super Maths work!

Ash— **Tomasz S**. For working hard at home.

# KS<sub>1</sub>

Elm— Ethan Y. For engaging with lots of home learning and trying his best.

Hawthorn— **Colby G.** For completing all his work from home and trying his best in all lessons.

# Lower KS2

Holly— Markus DM. For working hard and accessing all the work every day.

Juniper— Freya K. Miss Brindley has been amazed by the home learning efforts that have been emailed to her every day. Keep it up, as you are doing a brilliant job.

Linden— Lily S. She has been accessing all of her lessons and has been organising her day well.

# **Upper KS2**

Maple—**Courtney R.** For completing all her home learning this week and sending lots of excellent quality work through. Well done, Courtney.

Oak— Jorja M. For making a super start to her remote learning.

Willow—**Timofey C.** For completing all of his work to the best of his ability, making sure an image is uploaded to Classroom Notebook on TEAMS or sent to the class e-mail account. I have really enjoyed reading what he has produced each day - well done, Tim!

Yew — Joshua S. For continued dedication to his learning and for producing some fantastic work. Keep it up!



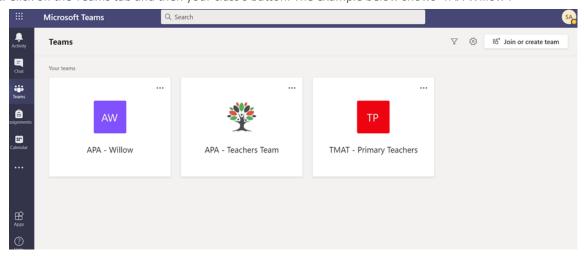


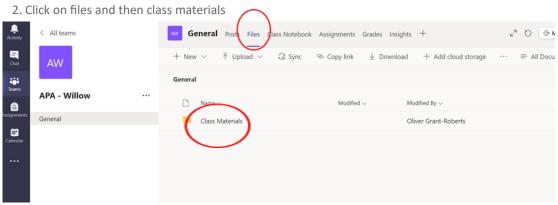


#### Where to access home learning?

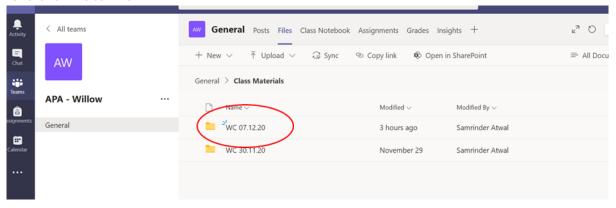
Log into Microsoft TEAMS via this link - <a href="https://www.microsoft.com/en-gb/microsoft-365/microsoft-teams/log-in">https://www.microsoft.com/en-gb/microsoft-365/microsoft-teams/log-in</a>
Use your log in details that will be in your child's planner.

1. Click on the Teams tab and then your class's button. The example below shows 'TAA Willow'.



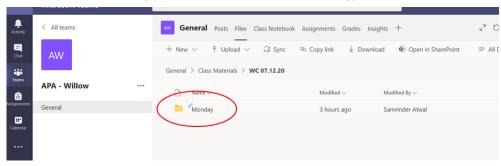


3. Click on WC 05.1.2021

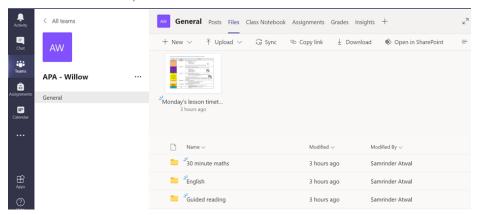




4. Click on Monday (a new folder will be added each day)



5. A lesson timetable can be found at the top of the page and each lesson has a folder with the lessons (some videoed or audio recorded)



To complete written work online your child can click on Class Notebook > 'their name' and create a new tab for each piece of work.

