



William Torbitt Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy new year and welcome back to a new term at William Torbitt, albeit through online learning for the vast majority of our children.

Today we have opened our school for sixteen children spread across 4 bubbles and ensured that DB primary is full of great learning opportunities for all year groups.

The picture you are seeing in the local news is reflected in our school community. We have nearly 20% of our teaching and support staff currently unwell, isolating and unable to work due to the pandemic, a situation that would have made it very difficult to open our school safely today and a situation that we would ask our parents to support us with.

With members of staff being unable to work, we are not able to guarantee that your child will always have contact with their class teacher or their usual 1:1 support during their remote learning and Zoom sessions. We will endeavour to ensure every child is seen by an adult that they know from the school, be it one of your child's Year Group Teachers, Specialist Teachers or a High Level Teaching Assistant.

At least two members of the Senior Leadership Team will be on site each day who you can contact via the school admin email address or phoning the school office.

We have always been so grateful for the amazing partnership we have with our parent body. Please continue to support us with your understanding and flexibility.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Paven Kettory', written in a cursive style.

Paven Kettory
Acting Headteacher

