

Investors in Families Lockdown Award checklist

This award will be given to schools that have supported children and families throughout the 'lockdown'. It's aim is to celebrate and acknowledge the dedication, support, guidance, care and nurture that you have provided during the epidemic.

Communication

How have you communicated with families?	What platforms did you use?	Frequency of communication?
We have communicated with families on the	Telephone	Each family had a phone call from class staff
telephone, email, Schoop.	Email	weekly.
	Schoop	These calls were logged and sent to SLT.
Schoop was introduced at the end of the	Seesaw	
summer term as an extra form of		Daily with parents who access Seesaw to
communication between home and school to		complete blended learning.
give information out quickly and easily to whole		,
school/ class groups or individuals.		
Seesaw was used as a platform for blended		
learning and added communication.		
Annual reviews; parents given the option of		
phone calls/ TEAMS. Arranged at a time that		
suited each family's needs.		



Engagement

How have you engaged with families?	Was this successful? What were the barriers?	What would you do differently?
We have telephoned families.	Technology has been a barrier.	Try to set up more informal group meets. This
Seesaw, Hwb, weekly well-being calls		is difficult using Zoom as only one person can
Extra phone calls if needed.	The type of activities that take place daily in	talk at a time.
Home visits	sensory classes are highly resourced.	
	Replicating this at home can be difficult.	It is hard to talk to some families while the
		children are home, some needing 1:1
		supervision at all times.

Home Learning

How did you support Home learning?	What platforms did you use?	Frequency of Home Learning
Home learning was provided through Seesaw,	Seesaw/ Hwb/Schoop/ work packs.	As a minimum each class sent home one
Hwb and work packs.		recorded video of class staff e.g. reading a
		story/ singing song.
Range of resources used e.g. interactive work		
sheets, videos, powerpoints of class sessions.		At least 5 pieces of work a week aimed at whole
		class with a cross curricular focus.
Regular discussions with parents to see if they		
needed any support to access the home		Individual work based on targets sent home
learning. Were there specific activities they		weekly.
needed e.g. visual timetable.		
IEP sent home with further activities/ examples		
on how to develop the target at home.		
Individual timetables sent home for those		
struggling with the lack of routine.		



Live lessons were introduced mid-January		
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Health and Wellbeing

How did you promote Emotional Health and Wellbeing?	How was this monitored?	Is further work required in this area, what will you be doing?
Calls to support families and not just pupils.	Weekly teachers' meetings on TEAMS to	Look into activities with a Health and Well
	discuss any concerns.	Being focus.
Hub places offered for families who were struggling at home.		
	On-going discussions with social workers.	
Thrive activities planned for those accessing		
the hub.	Multi- disciplinary team meetings weekly which involved social workers, SALT, and	
PSE focus lessons on Seesaw/Hwb.	physios and school staff.	

Innovation

How else have you gone above and beyond to support your children and families?

- Individual packs of work/ resources sent home for children who access paper-based work more successfully.
- For sensory learners packs of resources for sessions and messy play activities were sent home to ensure parents had the resources available at home.
- Work on Seesaw/ Hwb based on individual targets.
- Individualised timetable/visual timetable with symbols sent home to pupils who need the routine and structure.

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