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E-Learning during school closure

Below I have set out our approach to home learning during school closure which I hope will clarify what you can expect from us during this time.

Setting learning

- Each day, teachers will upload some Maths learning by 9:30am and some English learning by 11am. Ideally, we would like your children to engage with this each day.
- Each class will have a Home learning grid of 6 activities related to the wider curriculum e.g. science, topic, RE and so on. We hope that children will complete 1 each day of their choice. This will be similar to the current Home Learning grid and may contain links to activities on websites etc. A new grid will be uploaded by teachers each Monday morning between 8:30am and 9am.
- Ideally, please try to submit the 5 activities as they do them but by 3:15pm on Fridays at the latest and their new grid will be uploaded at 9am the following Monday.
- At least once a week, teachers will set up a discussion with whole class feedback e.g. tell us about what you are currently reading at the moment and whether you'd recommend it to others or a 'big question' to reflect on. Children can engage with this as they wish and everyone in their class will see their responses.
- At least once a week, teachers will upload spelling and/or phonics learning. This might be key words, spelling lists or a spelling activity.
- Daily reading should be recorded in the reading records as they do now. We have taken the decision not to send home lots of reading books as we are concerned that these may not be returned to school and they are such a valuable resource. We have however sent a list of recommended reads for each year group if you would like to purchase books.

Feedback on learning

- Teachers will give feedback directly to each child, each day if they upload any learning or share what they have done. The feedback might encourage children to think more deeply, complete a further activity or it might simply acknowledge the learning.
- This feedback will be given with in the school day see above.
- Work shared on a Friday or over the weekend will be responded to by the end of school on Monday.

A few reminders

- Home Learning will not be set during the Easter holiday (Monday 6th April to Monday 20th April).
- Any learning can be sent back to staff as a photograph or scan even if the work was completed on paper.

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- All learning is suggested and we cannot in any way insist or expect all families to complete it. We know that for many with limited internet access or computers this may be difficult. Please do what you can and if possible try to keep some form of routine for your children.
- The E-learning platform is primarily a learning tool but if children wish to communicate with each other they are able to via email. However, please support us in reinforcing the importance of doing this appropriately. Teachers can see all messages that are sent between children and it will block any message which contains any inappropriate language. Children will also be able to directly message their teacher and vice versa. We think for the children's well-being, this is important particularly if they are feeling isolated. Again, do support us in reinforcing messages about the appropriateness of their messages.
- Teachers will only be communicating with children within normal school hours 8:40am and 3:15pm. No messages will be replied to or sent outside of these times.

We are very aware that there are a huge number of websites which are offering online resources to support parents with home learning. Even the BBC have announced that they will be producing educational programmes soon! We will be sending a list of these resources but know that there are a great many more available.

All children in the Early Years will be sent home with a paper based pack of learning as we appreciate that accessing online learning may be more difficult.

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