

Hello everyone! We hope that you are all keeping well and staying safe. We are missing everyone, especially the children, but want you to know that you are in our thoughts every day and that we are with you in spirit!

Thank you for all you are doing to keep the children learning at home during this difficult time – your support is, as ever, very much appreciated. Needless to say, we would much rather have the children at school with us, but unfortunately current circumstances will not allow that, so thank you for taking on this role from us for a little while.

Hopefully you will by now have established some sort of routine that works for the entire family and are also discovering all sorts of new things that your children are able to do. We are always so proud of their achievements at school; hopefully they are surprising you with their amazing ideas and ‘have a go’ attitude as well! We are sure that they will be keeping you amused and busy with their boundless energy and chat!

We have attached some further home learning ideas for you to try for the coming term... Because we are uncertain as to the period of school closure, there are lots of different ideas! Please don’t feel that you need to do them all, or worry if you haven’t completed those that we have already sent home or put online on the class pages – we are aiming to give you a selection of options to keep the children busy and to give them an opportunity to practise some key skills. Please select the ideas that you are most comfortable with and which fit in with your family routine. We realise that teaching the children at home is not ideal, but anything that you can do will be a great help in ensuring that they do not fall behind in their learning. Also remember to limit the amount of ‘academic’ learning time each day to ensure that the children get plenty of fresh air, exercise and time to relax and play (you may like to use the suggested timetable detailed in our earlier home learning letter: *see below*).

The documents below include suggestions applicable for all of the children - all classes and all ages.

The class tabs at the left hand side of this page have suggestions for each of the different classes. These activities are based on some of the things that the teachers had planned to cover within next term’s topic themes.

We have also included below some ideas to support the children’s well-being (*see the ‘Keeping healthy’ document*). Completing some of the suggested ideas and activities with your child should help everyone at home to remain happy and healthy, including the grown-ups! (*Parents may also find the ‘Mind’ website useful to support their own or other family member’s mental health during this difficult time*).

We hope that you and the children will enjoy completing our home learning activities and have also been able to get outside in the garden and enjoy the lovely Spring weather. Hopefully it won’t be too long before we see everyone again.

