



HIGH HESKET C of E SCHOOL (VC)

High Hesket, CARLISLE, Cumbria CA4 0HU TEL: 016974 73386

Head teacher: Mrs A Harvey

Email: head@high-hesket.cumbria.sch.uk Website: www.high-hesket.cumbria.sch.uk

20th April 2020

Dear Parents,

Home Learning Update

We hope all continues to be well with you and your family. We are now beginning our second week of our new approach to home learning. We do hope that it has been a supportive way to help with home learning, thank you for the many kind comments we have received related to this.

These are exceptional times and everybody is learning to live and work in different ways. It is certainly not 'business as usual'. Schools are taking many different approaches to meet the challenge of remote learning. Each of these will be determined by their own specific context such as their students and community they are serving, their staff, the facilities and resources they have. Our strategy has been determined by our own unique context.

We will do the best we can to provide continuity of learning and pastoral care for our children and families but we appreciate that the current circumstances bring challenges for everyone. The wellbeing of staff, our children and parents must take priority.

The circumstances of each household is unique and all families, children and staff, need to be able to create routines that work for them. Families may be facing uncertainties, may include key workers, or have several children requiring support with remote learning. We don't expect parents to spend each day home-schooling their children but we can provide you and your children with activities, guidance and support that will help everyone to do the best they can.

The safeguarding of our children and welfare of our staff is crucial. For this reason, there should be no live-streaming between staff and children. We are aware that the BBC via BBC Bitesize and Oak National Academy are also releasing new home learning materials today. We will be looking at these, alongside our current home learning programme, this coming week. We may well begin to incorporate some of the materials from these sites in our home learning programme next week.

We plan to continue to upload a new project for each class on the class webpage every Monday. This, as per last week, is for the whole week and can be planned to best suit your family. We are still happy to receive questions about any of the home learning projects on the homework email:
homework@high-hesket.cumbria.sch.uk

In addition, you will have received information last week about the use of Tapestry in Years 1 to 6. This is our way of keeping in touch with the children. Class teachers will post comments on here to keep in touch with you. You may wish to add pictures of home learning you have been doing, but this is optional.

The Learning Project Overview

Week	EYFS	KS1	Y3/4	Y5/6
1	My Family	My Family	My Family	My Family
2	Area You Live In			
3	Viewpoints	Viewpoints	Viewpoints	Viewpoints
4	Animals	Animals	Animals	Animals
5	Environment	Environment	Environment	Environment
6	Food	Food	Food	Food
7	Celebrations	Celebrations	Celebrations	Celebrations

You will see that the focus of the project for each phase is the same. This will ensure that families with more than one child can all have the same learning focus.

Early Years and KS1 Suggested Timetable – please see these as just a suggestion – something completely different may work for your family.

Time	Activity
9am – 9.30am	Maths activities – choose from those suggested
9.30am – 10am	Play – outside if possible
10am – 10.30am	Reading and phonics
10.30am – 11.20am	Break – more play and a snack
11.20am – 11.40am	Writing activities – choose from those suggested
11.40 – 12pm	Learning project – choose an activity
12pm onwards	Lunch and play

KS2 Suggested Timetable

Time	Activity
9am – 9.45am	Maths Practice – from the suggested activities
9.45am – 10am	Play – outside if possible
10am to 10.30am	Reading focus: Reading comprehension/shared reading, answering questions and talk about books
10.30am – 11am	Break – more play and snack
11am – 11.20am	Project work – choose from the suggested activities
11.20am – 11.30am	Break
11.30am – 12pm	Writing - choose from suggested activities
12pm – 1pm	Lunch
1pm – 2pm	Project work – choose from the suggested activities

We do hope that you and your family continue to stay safe and well. We are all missing the children greatly and look forward to when the school can open again.

Best wishes,

L Day J Ager

Leanne Day and Jennifer Ager
Curriculum Leads