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Dear Parents,

Home Learning Update

We hope all continues to be well with you and your family. We are now beginning our third week of our new approach to home learning. We do hope that it continues to be a supportive way to help with home learning, it has been lovely to see some of the updates from families in both the homework email and via Tapestry – keep them coming!

You may have seen in the media that there have been a number of new developments this week to further assist parents with home learning. On Monday the BBC launched daily lessons on its Bitesize site and The Oaks National Academy also went online. Both of these have materials suitable for children in years 1 – 6. For our nursery and reception children The Oaks National Academy and Hungry Little Minds also provide a wealth of resources.

Whilst there are many new and exciting approaches provided by these sites, we are aware that much of it is dependent on the use of a tablet or laptop, which may well be in high demand. Due to this, we will continue to provide you with a learning project for each year group, for each week. These will stay in the format we have used over the past two weeks but we have included the new sites mentioned above as possible activities within them. We have tried to ensure that there is a balance of online and offline learning and that you as families have choice in the way you plan your home learning activities.

We are also aware that some of the activities provide sheets which could require a printer. As we are sure you have found, if you do not have a printer these activities could be done from the screen and answered on paper. Again, we have tried to limit the number of activities which need to be printed.

When we are in school we use the White Rose Maths schemes of learning to plan our lessons. We have continued to include their home learning site as part of our weekly maths activities as they most closely fit with how the children learn maths in school.

Home learning projects will now be uploaded on Fridays for the following week, as we are aware some families appreciate the weekend to plan for the next week's activities.

Attached to this document you will also find some Covid-19 specific guidance for online learning at home, provided by the Children's Commissioner. We hope you find it useful.

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,

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