



**Woodbury C of E  
Primary School**

# Newsletter



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## VALUE

*Our Value for this half term is Love and Compassion. If you would like to explore this value further at home with your children, then please access the Home Links for our Values, which are to be found on the school website under the tab "Our School" and then "Vision and Values".*

*The Lord is my strength and my shield;  
my heart trusts in him, and he helps me.*

*My heart leaps for joy,  
and with my song I praise him.*

*Psalm 28:7*

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

I hope you have all had a good week and have managed to continue to juggle work, with home learning and child care, along with looking after yourselves. There has been lots of speculation in the press over the last week or so about when children will be returning to school and if the lockdown will be eased. I am hoping that there might be some clarity on this over the weekend or in the next week and will keep you informed, via our website under the news tab, any letters will also be sent to you via email.

## Google Classroom

As always, the teachers have enjoyed seeing the learning that has been going on at home and have been impressed with the hard work and perseverance with some particularly tricky learning that has been set this week, so well done for showing great resilience.

## School and Home Blogs

We have had a school blog for a few weeks but last week we started the home learning blogs for each class, this is an opportunity for you to see what everyone has been up to and to celebrate the great work you are all doing at home. Each week these will be updated with a selection of learning that has been sent in. The teachers are finding it very difficult to just choose a few pieces of learning to celebrate because of the high quality and exciting things that are being completed.

## Maths No Problem Workbooks

It seems that some year 1 books have now disappeared from the foyer area, this means that children are not able to access the learning that the class teacher is setting. If you have taken these books by mistake, please can you return them. We are unable to order any more so it is essential that these are returned as soon as possible. We have now removed all the work books to stop this happening again – if you require a work book please email [admin@woodbury.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@woodbury.devon.sch.uk) and one will be made available for you to collect.

## Feel Good Fun Day Friday

Reminder that on every Friday we will be asking the children to concentrate on having a 'Feel Good Fun Day Friday', where they can choose from a range of activities set on Google Classroom – or do activities of their own. Although, as this Friday is a bank holiday, you may have something else planned, the activities will be there for you to access if you wish. As it was meant to be a celebration of VE day in school this week, we had a VE themed day on Thursday and the children enjoyed a having a tea party and joined in with the 'sing a long' with other children across the country.

### **CAP UK (Child Assault Prevention)**

As many schools are closed, and children are staying at home, CAP UK has created a booklet for children that they would like us to share with our families. The idea behind this booklet is to remind them of the CAP messages - in particular that children have the right to be Safe, Strong and Free. They have also included some fun activities in the booklet and hope that you like it and find it useful in helping to continue children's education at home. We have uploaded this resource on our website under the Mental Health and Wellbeing tab. For more information on the work they do go to their website: <https://safestrongfree.org.uk/>.

### **German Club**

Mrs Payne, our TA in Beech Class, was planning on running a 'Learn German Club' over the summer term, unfortunately due to the circumstances she has been unable to do this. However, she is keen to impart her knowledge and is setting up some weekly activities for children to try at home if they are interested. Please see our website under learning at home for this week's activities.

### **Website Updates**

Here are this week's helpful links and new resources added to our school website:

#### **Learning at Home:**

Forest School Home Learning Pack – May Day  
'Maths No Problem' link & Twitter - Maths Support for Parents  
Indoor Explorers – new resource  
German Club 1

#### **SEND:**

'Everybody Worries' – book to help talk about their worries  
'How not to go to School' – helps children to understand lockdown  
Facts on Coronavirus – a social study  
Resource to help children with Autism - Educator Advice  
Calm Zone – *social and emotional* activities to help children

#### **PE & Keeping Active at home:**

KS1/KS2 Primary Sports Home Learning Pack week 6  
Youth Sports Trust – many new activities  
British Cycling – help with early years bicycle skills  
East Devon Sports – Activity at home links table V4

#### **Mental Health and Wellbeing:**

Children and Family Health support  
Talkworks – Mental Health & Wellbeing NHS help for adults  
CAP Booklet for Children  
Story 'Dave the Dog' is worried about Coronavirus  
CAMHS – link for support with anxiety and other areas of mental Health

#### **Community:**

East Devon Council – Community Links and advice  
Devon County Council – latest bulletins  
Wise Money – charity run advice for low income families

#### **News – Daily Prayers:**

A school assembly with the Archbishop of Canterbury  
School and home learning blogs

As always, your children's emotional and mental health is important to us. If your child is struggling with any aspect of the situation we find ourselves in, please let us know because we have access to all sorts of different support networks and services. Please remember you are not alone and we are always here to help.

Best wishes,

**Gillian Pyle**  
**Head of School**

*“Learning to live life in all its fullness”*