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Home Learning Update for all our children and families

Dear Parents/Carers,

Despite it being the Easter holidays the school remains closed to all but children of essential key workers. As you will have seen from the Government announcement yesterday, schools will continue to remain closed after Easter with the exception of key workers' children.

As it is currently the Easter holidays, we have not set any home learning for the children to complete at this time. It is important that you all have a break and enjoy time together as families.

Home learning

The staff have been working incredibly hard to prepare further home learning for the children for after the Easter holidays. We have listened to parental feedback on the current format for home learning and after Easter, we will be giving you a clearer structure for each week of what can be covered each day. If you have children in Foundation Stage, please ensure you have logged into Tapestry where Miss Thompson has uploaded resources and videos to help you with your children at home. There will also be details of other learning activities to access too.

Each of the year groups in the school will be sending out new home learning via Parentmail on 20th April 2020 and it will also be available on the school website under the 'Home Learning' tab. There will be class email accounts so that the children will be able to send photos of their learning to their teachers for them to receive feedback on. Please do this with your child, so that we can ensure what is being sent via the class email is appropriate. You will receive a letter from each year group with instructions on how this email process will work on Monday 20th April 2020.

As I mentioned in my previous letter to you, we acknowledge that every family circumstance is different. We are very aware that we have families where both parents are required to work from home, and/or one parent is alone at home trying to work and support their children. This can make home-schooling very challenging and stressful. Please be assured that we understand that for some families 'bite-size' home learning is totally fine. There is no judgement from us.

Keeping in touch

Please continue to keep us updated with your photos and videos, it has been wonderful to see what you have all been doing at home. Please email: school@giffardpark.milton-keynes.sch.uk We will continue to post updates and videos from our staff regularly on our Facebook page. It is so important that we can keep in touch with you all.

I hope that you all have an enjoyable Easter and continue to keep yourselves safe and healthy.

Yours sincerely,

Miss E Donoghue
Headteacher

