

Spring Term 2020
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Dear Parent/ Carers

Well we are in to strange times with schools being closed due to the Coronavirus and the latest advice from the Government about staying at home and closing many businesses for the present time. Many parents are working from home and caring for their children at the same time.

Work packs were sent home this week for those that were not in school last week. A few parents in year 1 were unsure about the division questions on times tables rock stars app. Miss Ingram and Mrs Beesley have put together a leaflet explain how we teach this to children and also a leaflet with some websites for you to access at home for maths. These will be uploaded to e-schools and our website for you to access.



The sun is shining - let's encourage our children to get outside in their gardens where possible and enjoy some activity in the fresh air. Home learning includes some work from school but also fun breaks. Below are some ideas and if you have any board games, jigsaw puzzles or even teach your child how to cook and lay a table, these are all vital skills for your child to learn.

Resource ideas / links kindly shared by Chris from William Harding:

Premier League Primary Stars (free resources will cover English, Maths, Physical activity and Health and Wellbeing for Key Stages 1 and 2) - <https://plprimarystars.com/news/home-learning-activities-school-closures>

Youth Sport Trust (number of their resources are now free to use during this period) - https://www.youthsporttrust.org/free-home-learning-resources?utm_campaign=11402914_Coronavirus%20message&utm_medium=email&utm_source=Youth%20Sport%20Trust&dm_i=1ZLF,6SEJM,PN4ERX,R5Y6F,1

Change4Life Train like a Jedi (Taking inspiration from everyone's favourite Star WarsTM characters Rey and Luke, it's time to get your kids active as they learn to master the ways of the Jedi with a fun play along video) - https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=283&v=1H_BYJSsdSM&feature=emb_logo

Disney 10 minute shake ups (at home games to play featuring some well loved Disney/Pixar characters) - <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/activities/indoor-activities>

Teach Active (Access 250+ different activities, all designed to complement your child's learning in school, in a fun and active way.) - <https://www.teachactive.org/2020/03/teach-active-homework-free-for-parents/>

Imoves (Fun activities for teachers and parents to keep children happy, healthy and focussed) - <https://imoves.com/the-imovement>

Supermovers (Fun curriculum linked resources to get your child moving while they learn) - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers>

Les Mills (20 or 40-minute class is jam-packed with cool music and foundation fitness moves and fun games) - <https://watch.lesmillsondemand.com/born-to-move-free>

GoNoodle (lots of fun videos, games and off-screen activities) - <https://www.gonoodle.com/good-energy-at-home-kids-games-and-videos/>



Welcome to our new pets at school

Our two new rabbits have been named. The girl is called 'Rosa' and the boy is called 'Flash'. Thank you to all the children that sent in their coloured pictures with their favourite names on them. We also had a surprise, we now have four baby rabbits which the children got to see before the school closed.

Get your child to enter a competition!

Get your child to write a poem about tackling food waste.

There aren't many rules

Just that:

- The competition is open to all primary school pupils (age 11 and under)
- All entrants must be from within the UK
- The poem has to be no longer than 16 lines
- Entries will be accepted up until midnight on Thursday, May 7th

- The winner will receive a £100 book voucher for personal use, a £200 book voucher for their school library, and a food waste fighting pack.
- The two runners up will each receive £50 in book vouchers.
- Jamie Crummie, co-founder of Too Good To Go (UK), will also come and do a fun food-waste-fighting workshop at the schools of the three winning children.

The winner and two runners up will be announced in May 2020.

To read more and enter please click on the link below:

https://toogoodtogo.co.uk/en-gb/lp/b2c/too-good-to-go-food-waste-poem-competition?utm_source=toogoodtogo&utm_medium=direct&utm_campaign=b2c&utm_term=too-good-to-go-food-waste-poem-competition

Emergency School

We have just completed our first week as an emergency school for key workers and vulnerable pupils. There are no formal lessons in the emergency school and learning happens in a very different way. Children have been busy making paper flowers, doing origami, making pom poms, completing a treasure hunt and every afternoon they have been having sports outdoors. A big thank you to parents for keeping your children at home which has allowed us to open a small emergency school to support vital workers in the nhs, police and care homes so that all people in need have the care when they need it. Also a big thank you to staff for coming together so that we can have an emergency school that is operating so well.



Benefit related free school meals (FSM)

Our catering company are making up food parcels to be collected from the kitchen entrance every Monday, Wednesday and Friday for parents of children that qualify for free school meals. This will apply until the government produce their voucher system.

I will keep in regular touch with everyone and share other ideas for activities at home too. If you need to contact school, please email in the first instance as we have very few staff in school at this time to answer phones. The office email address is: office@oakgreen.bucks.sch.uk

Stay home and save lives.

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