



Learning and Growing Together
in Faith and Friendship

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Dear Parents/Carers and Reception Class,

I hope you are all well and keeping safe in isolation. Myself, Mrs Wilson and Mrs Bradley are missing you all very much and we really miss seeing your smiley faces every day! We hope you have managed to enjoy the sunshine outside and get your daily exercise time in.

Please keep working on the activities in your 'Home Learning' packs. Remember to work through this at your own pace and the activities can be completed in any order. Don't forget to refer to the 'Suggested Timetable' in your packs and break up the work activities with some fun activities. For example, you could play some board games, help with the chores around the house, complete some PE brain breaks and help to make lunch/dinner.

Here are a few more suggestions to support the pack sent home last week:-

- Daily counting-Practise counting forwards and backwards from 0-20. If you are confident with this you could try counting in tens from 0-100.
- Practise learning the days of the week. Write the days of the week on cards and practise sequencing them in the correct order.
- Make a weather chart/board or a weather diary and draw pictures to show what the weather is like each day. You could practise writing the date underneath your pictures.
- Keep working on your name writing-writing your first and last names. Refer to the letter formation ditties in your packs.
- Go on a Spring Walk or look in your garden for signs of Spring. What can you see? Can you draw a picture and write a sentence of all the wonderful things you can see.
- Have a try at Joe Wicks' morning PE sessions on YouTube. Exercise is great for your mental health! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qGKGNzNbWjU>
- Plant a seed/bean and watch it grow.
- Take this time to develop your independence; keep your bedrooms tidy, help to set the table, help to sort the laundry, practise getting changed by yourselves and doing your own zips and buttons.
- If you have access to the Internet engage with 'Little Learners' phase 3 phonics sessions on YouTube. This is similar to how we teach it at school. Please refer to the following link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JDzpV3jFefs>

We will write to you next week and send you some more activities to keep you busy.

Stay safe, keep working hard and keep smiling!

Miss Mogford, Mrs Wilson & Mrs Bradley ☺

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