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Let your light shine

“Let your light shine before others that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.” Matthew 5:16

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Dear Parents,

Government Enforced School Closure

As you know, the government have announced blanket closures of all schools, and we would like to inform you about how we will communicate with you and what work our teachers have set for the children during the enforced school closure.

What work will be set for my child?

Teachers have worked exceptionally hard preparing for the possibility of school closure. The real strength of the school is the quality of teaching. Unfortunately, teachers' 'powers' are very restricted and inhibited during the period of school closure. However, we shall ensure we do our best (as always) to restrict disruption for the children's learning as much as possible. With that in mind, teachers have prepared learning packs which children should access at home. Introducing new learning is particularly difficult in such circumstances so the majority of tasks set are consolidation learning activities.

These packs and instructions will be emailed out to parents and will also be uploaded onto the school website. Each class has a new folder on the website where work will be saved – this can be accessed via the following link <https://www.kingslandceprimary.com/curriculum/> This link will take you to the Curriculum page on the school website. The new class pages are at the bottom of the page. Also on the Curriculum website page are all our new, revised curriculum documents, within subject folders. These documents will inform you of what the children would be learning in school. They can provide further activity ideas to the ones suggested by teachers.

In addition to the learning packs, there are some generic activities and ideas that all the children can access:

- READ READ READ! Children should read TO an adult, as well as read on their own everyday. Recommended reading books to read and share can be found on the school website, along with questions that parents can ask to develop comprehension and understanding <https://www.kingslandceprimary.com/english-2/>
- Education City website (not Class 1) – children have their own personal log-in details and there is a wealth of activities and learning opportunities <https://www.educationcity.com/>
- Online educational publishers Twinkl have offered parents free access to all its resources for a month to support continued learning at home. Follow the link <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/blog/how-to-utilise-twinkel-during-the-coronavirus-shutdown-a-guide-for-schools> to log in

- Parents should be able to access free Home Learning Packs for each primary year group. Each pack contains resources to help with distance learning:
- EYFS <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/home-early-years/early-years-class-management/school-closure-home-learning-classroom-management-eyfs-early-years>
- KS1 <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/class-management/school-closure-home-learning-classroom-management-key-stage-1-year-1-year-2>
- KS2 <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/keystage2-ks2/ks2-class-management/school-closure-home-learning-classroom-management-key-stage-2-year-3-4-5-6>
- Another online publisher, Hamilton Trust, will also be offering free access to educational materials https://www.hamilton-trust.org.uk/?utm_source=Hamilton+Trust+Bulletin&utm_campaign=58504b1355-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_03_16_12_55&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_24fafe3d7c-58504b1355-129962345
- For Year 2 and Y6 children, the link below takes you to practise papers for KS1 and KS2 National Tests <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-curriculum-assessments-practice-materials#key-stage-2-past-papers>
- There is a wealth of resources on BBC Bitesize <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary>
- Pobble 365 <http://www.pobble365.com/> provides great stimulation for discussion based around a different picture each day. There are helpful questions which parents can ask children to promote discussion.
- Here is a link to the White Rose maths hub where you can find useful maths assessments for each year group <https://whiterosemaths.com/resources/assessment/primary-assessment/end-of-term-primary/>
- **Make a book mark for your reading buddy** – wouldn't it be great if EVERYONE had a book mark to bring into school when we reopen ...
- Here is the link to Read Write Inc resources from Oxford Owl RWI resources from Oxford Owl for parents www.oxfordowl.co.uk/read-write-inc-home

What if I need to contact my teacher / the school?

Whilst we are closed, should you have any questions or queries about homelearning, please email them to teacher@kingslandengland.hereford.sch.uk This is a new email address for use during school closure, which will be checked every day. In the subject box of the email please type in FAO then the teacher's name.

For example:

FAO Mr Powell

This will ensure the right teacher replies to the email. If a teacher is unable to reply because of illness, Mr Debenham or a member of the Senior Leadership Team will reply on their behalf as soon as possible.

We would love you to send photographs of what you have done via this email address! Class 1 children / parents can still communicate to Mrs Green through Tapestry.

Throughout the closure, the school will be following all government guidelines, and it would be helpful if you could avoid using this email address for anything other than queries relating to your child's homelearning. All other enquiries should be sent to admin@kingslandengland.hereford.sch.uk

Any SAFEGUARDING concerns should be directed to Mr Debenham via the admin email address admin@kingslandengland.hereford.sch.uk

How will my school contact me?

Any communications during school closure will be sent via email. Please keep checking your inbox regularly for updates. The school website will be updated with revised learning activities as regularly as possible.

To clarify also, all national assessments have been cancelled by the government, including KS1 and KS2 assessments, phonics screening check and the Y4 Multiplication Tables Check.

And finally, if I may share our school prayer in these uncertain times ...

Our Loving Lord,

Thank You for the unique spirit of our school family,

For all those who inspire us to be our best,

And for filling our school with joy, hope, trust and love.

Help us to speak the truth always,

To encourage one another with compassion and respect,

And to care for Your wonderful world.

Lord, guide us humbly in Your footsteps and be with us always,

Amen

Yours sincerely,

Mr S Debenham

Headteacher

