

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are thinking of you at home and hope you are all safe and well.

How are the home learning packs going?

Staff worked really hard to put these together at very short notice. Some of the packs are still in the foyer (along with lots of PE kits) so you could walk to school for your daily walk in the sunshine and pick up your child's pack.

It is really important that your child continues to pick up a pencil or pen to do their daily learning and that most importantly - they continue to read. Daily twenty minute sessions of reading or story time, with you both chatting about the events and characters would make a significant difference to your child's learning.

The majority of the packs had sufficient learning that lasted longer than a week, I suspect Y6 might have enough to keep them going until September! However, please check the front page of the website for updates from your class teachers from Monday 30th March.

There will also be no work set over the Easter break which should run from 6th April to 24th April.

Staff Availability for contact

We are continuing to be open for our key workers and this will continue throughout the Easter break, all staff are involved in working with these children so staff are all working at different times which means that staff might not be coming back to you straight away when you email them. Also, staff are having a split Easter break which has started for some staff this week.

It is important to note that we also have some staff who are poorly too, so they are also not answering emails at the time being.

This timetable might help that details when staff are working.

Week Beginning	Which staff members are working?
23 rd March	R, Y2, Y3 and Y5
30 th March	N, Y1, Y4 and Y6
6 th April	R, Y2, Y3 and Y5 (Except Miss Bushell, working on 13 th April)
13 th April	N, Y1, Y4 and Y6 (Except Mrs Garcha, working on 6 th April)

Marking work

Parents could scan or photograph some of the key work to send back to teachers or teachers might request specific work to be emailed back. There is no need to email every piece of work. Learning could be undertaken in the exercise book or stuck into the exercise book, teachers will collect these books in when we return to school.

Parents should have the login details for Purple Mash, Bug Club and TT Rockstars, if you don't then please email your teacher.

We are thinking of you all and here to help if we can in anyway. There might not always be a person answering the school telephone so the best way to contact us is by postbox@woodlands.walsall.sch.uk

Look after each other and extend your kindness to our community. Mrs Newton



Hello to all our children!

We are missing you all, it is a very quiet school without your chatter and laughter. Your teachers all say hello to you and hope you are doing your daily learning packs, they are looking forward to looking at your learning when we all return to school.



The sun is shining so I hope you are getting out into your gardens or going for a walk each day. Spring has arrived, have you noticed the changes around you? Most importantly, playing or walking helps us keep healthy so if you can't do those things then log onto The Body Coach, PE with Joe Wicks daily at 9:00. We are doing it in school!

Seb and Hattie are finding home schooling very strange and are missing their friends a lot. We have created a home school timetable for each day so that we know what is coming up next.

9:00 - 9:30 PE with Joe Wicks

9:30 - 10:30 Maths

10:30 – 11:00 Breaktime (This means tuck!)

11:00 – 12:00 English (spellings, grammar and writing)

12:00 – 12:30 Reading

12:30 – 1:30 Picnic in the garden

1:30 A different area of the curriculum, such as Science or Geography. Seb and Hattie like to do something practical in the afternoon such as cooking, gardening or art.

It might help you to create a timetable too. It doesn't have to be like ours, you could create your own but ALWAYS try to do your daily reading session.

Your teachers have provided lots of learning for the next few weeks and you can use your exercise book to record all your learning. You could also use this book to write a daily journal about how you are feeling and what you have been up to. You might also choose to undertake a project about something you are really interested in. Treat this exercise book like a scrapbook and collect your learning, stick things in, write, draw and be creative! Your teachers will be collecting this in when we return to school. They will be so excited to see what you have been learning.

If you undertake a very special piece of work then please email it to me at headteacher@woodlands.walsall.sch.uk Don't forget to provide a short description, say who you are and which class you are in.

Keep smiling Woodlands, keep learning and remember you are in our thoughts.

I'll write again soon.

Love from Mrs Newton

Keeping In Touch

Important request: If you have changed your contact number then could you please contact school to let us know your up to date number.

