

# Daily update - Tuesday 24th March

## Working from home update

Dear Parents and children,

We hope you are all well and coping with a very strange situation. Please make sure you follow the strict rules we have all been given and **stay at home** unless it is absolutely essential to go out for food or work, do this now and life will get easier sooner. A big 'thank you' to all those parents who can keep their children at home - we have a very small group of children in school whose parents are on the front line at the hospital and authorities (we salute you for your hard work and dedication).

## Home working advice and some ideas

- Hopefully your timetable and space for working is established (IKEA is shut so you can't furnish a whole new office space children !) Although there is an idea ..... if you could what would you make your home office space into ? Draw it and design it using photos or images (if you can), you could make a cardboard 'mock up' of what it would look like. Designers and architects go to work !

- Ease into this, establish a clear daily timetable and stick to it, keep weekends clear but have other things you don't do during the week as it needs to be different but still at home.

- **Gardening** - if you have some seeds and soil then plant and watch it grow.

- **Maths** challenge (can work for every age) - the answer is 7 but what could the question be ? This can be as simple or as hard as you want it to be.

- **Maths** - the 2 metre challenge ! What else is 2 metres ? Make a list of everything you find that is 2 metres either in your home or the garden (tape measure or length of wood or a reasonable guess). What is 2m apart in your house ? Estimate (educated guess) first then measure as accurately as possible.

- Keep a **daily diary** of thoughts, feelings and actions.

- **Short burst** (attached is a photo) - in school we use a photograph as a stimulus for writing (or you might tell your story). Why is the road closed ? (at the boring end of the spectrum is 'for road works' at the more interesting end is the 'closed by a spy who has secretly diverted traffic for .....') or you may have something completely different.

- **Exercise** - Joe Wicks on You Tube at 9am is a good one for exercise (especially if it rains). If it isn't raining and you have a garden then construct your own 20 minute fitness routine (write it down, change it and share it - e-mail [admin@madley.hereford.sch.uk](mailto:admin@madley.hereford.sch.uk) and it will be forwarded to me and I will share good ones on our daily update).

- **Handwriting** - 10 minutes daily. Letter formation (Nelson Scheme) or practise patterns. Squared paper - either bought or hand drawn - a different pencil pattern in each square. This can be developed incorporating pen as well.

- **Science** - continue our Honda Advert challenge from school - challenge yourself to make the smallest one possible, the longest one possible, the most 'impossible one' possible and one that goes all around your house (with permission of course). Film what you have done.

Parents/children - you have a healthy bank of ideas and open ended learning activities including the website ones from teachers. We have deliberately given activities that don't include too much screen time (that is your job as parents to manage that).

## **Attachments**

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