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Dear Parents/Carers,

I have written to you previously about about what our procedures would be if children had to self-isolate due to the pandemic or in the event of a lockdown.

In both cases, children would be provided with work packs so that they could continue learning from home.

In the event that pupils are off school for pandemic related reasons, there are a variety of activities that could still be completed at home using online resources. Below are some ideas for supporting your children with their education, which I hope can be of some use to you.

Reading a book to or with your child – ask them questions to help their comprehension, what they liked about it, what different words mean, what they think might happen next.

Practising times tables is always useful – by the end of Y4 all pupils should know their times tables up to 12 x 12.

Y2's need to learn 2's, 5's and 10's

Y3's need to learn 3's, 4's, and 8's

Y4's need to learn 6's, 7's, and 9's, then revise all multiplication and division facts up to 12 x 12.

Y5 and Y6 need to keep revising and practising times tables, improving pace and fluency.

Practising spellings from the previous year's word list would be useful as pupils are trying to catch up from the summer term, as well as beginning work set for their current year group. Children will bring home a word list for practice.

**Here are links to websites that may be useful for exploring different activities:**

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary/> different lessons and ideas for a range of subjects

<https://www.thenational.academy/> video guides and lessons for different subjects

<https://whiterosemaths.com/> maths resources including free workbooks for parents to use with children

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/category/22/most-popular> maths games online

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-online-education-resources>

Government website with links to different educational providers

<https://www.tes.com/news/coronavirus-free-resources-home-learning> - suggestions for different sites

<http://www.stmarysbacup.org/page/staff/42342> - link to Nursery home learning

<http://www.stmarysbacup.org/page/home-learning/42471> - link to Reception home learning

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies> - videos, fun and games

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/alphablocks> phonics practice, letter and sounds

This is just a brief guide to useful sites, there are many more that can be explored by you and your children. They will also be reminded of their login details for Times Tables Rock Stars and Purple Mash which can also be accessed online. Please feel welcome to email the class teacher if you have any questions about online learning or curriculum based work.

The teachers' email addresses are as follows:

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Thank you again for your continued support,

Claire Mills