Dear Parents,

Home Learning

A number of our families are self-isolating and/or will be a position of needing to isolate for a longer period of time due to under lying health conditions or through a Government directive. It seems very likely that in the coming days we will be informed that schools will be closed. We have therefore put together learning materials that children can access via our website.



We are currently organising for an email link whereby pupils will submit work for marking and feedback from their teacher. Further information will follow.

There are a range of activities that can be completed over a week; pupils are expected to work their way through these. Some are written and some more practical work. Children should submit written work for feedback from their teacher. Photographs of practical or 3D work can be sent via the email address to show the teacher how work is progressing.

These learning materials will be uploaded weekly (for the duration of the closure – but not during the time when we would break for Easter 1-20 April 2020). We will monitor events regularly and make any adjustments necessary. Please note that Week 2's learning will be available 7 days after our official school closure. This is because teachers are still preparing the teaching lessons in school and I cannot increase their workload at the present time.

Your child will bring home a range of resources to enable them to complete the activities – if your child was not at school when the materials were handed out, we will do our best to get these to you. Please be patient and understand that we will do all we can.

For those without Internet access or a computer we will provide materials as best we can. These children may receive slightly different materials to complete.

In school, we use these CGP books–any of these books would be good for daily practise of skills. These are available online via the links below – they can also be purchased from Amazon. Children in Years 5 and 6 have their own which will be sent home with them.

For children in Years 1-4 we have purchased a maths book which will be sent home on Wednesday 18th March 2020.

For those already self-isolating before 18.3.2020 we will do our best to get the materials to you.

Year 1 - purchase only books that say Year 1 please https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/primary-books/ks1/year-1-(ages-5-6) Year 2 https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/primary-books/ks1/year-2-(ages-6-7) Year 3 – purchase books that relate to Year 3 only please https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/primary-books/ks2/year-3-(ages-7-8) Year 4 - purchase books that relate to Year 4 only please

For children in Reception the same company produce a number of phonics related books that might be helpful.

https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/primary-books/reception

We hope the materials will support learning at home over the coming weeks. As this is a changing picture, we cannot anticipate the length of time school might be closed. We will monitor events and update the website as and when necessary.

Matt Dunkley, Director of Education for Kent, has written to all Headteachers to state we should offer – in terms of home learning - what is feasibly possible for our school – taking into account the size of the school the infrastructure and resources to support home learning. I believe that as a school we have done all we can currently to facilitate home learning; we will continue to update resources and respond to this evolving situation.

Thank you for all your support, I hope that you and your family are able to staff healthy and remain positive.

Yours sincerely,

Sue Elliott Headteacher.