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Dear Parents/Carers,

HOME LEARNING UPDATE

The COVID-19 virus has meant that we have all had to make changes to the way we live our lives and during this pandemic, the health and well-being of all those in our school community must remain our top priority. However, while school is closed, learning should also be continuing but in a different way to which we are all adjusting. For us, we have largely achieved this through our use of online platforms such as Purple Mash and TTRS, and we do thank all our children who have engaged with the activities set, the teachers who have quickly adapted to this way of working, and the feedback we have received from you.

Now that we are entering our seventh week of 'lockdown', we felt it would be an appropriate time to reflect on our current approach. After much consideration, we have decided that whilst we will maintain our use of online learning, we will also introduce a **weekly home learning sheet** starting today. Each Monday, you will receive this via ParentPay with all the necessary resources and web links to support learning at home. You will also find copies of all the materials on our school website. As a school, we do recognise that many households will be experiencing significant stress and uncertainty at this time. Therefore, placing excessive burdens in terms of the amount of work we expect them to complete, we feel, would be profoundly unhelpful. **Therefore, the weekly home learning sheet is a guide of activities you can select to do** as it provides a clear structure to support learning in a variety of ways. We have also added a few sites, which might give you some ideas for activities at home at the bottom of this letter if you want to try something a little different.

As part of the home learning packs, we may have included activity sheets for your child to complete. Whilst we understand that not all families will be able to print these out, we still felt it appropriate to include them, to give you guidance on how the learning may look if your child was still at school. Please remember though, the home learning sheet is a guide, so feel free to adapt it to suit your child's interests or materials you have available at home. If you wish to share any learning with us, we would be delighted to see it. Tweet us photos, via our twitter handle (@LongsuttonPS) or email them to enquiries@longsutton.lincs.sch.uk where we will upload them for you. Children can use 2blog in Purple Mash to share their work and photos and we do strongly recommend that children in Reception share their work through Evidence Me.

As we have not been in school together since March 20, we are certainly missing everyone! We also recognise that you will be missing us as well! Whilst Keystone Academy Trust have made the decision that staff will not be teaching lessons via Zoom or other similar online tools, we are hoping to upload regular videos onto our Youtube account to keep in contact with you. We would ask you all to subscribe using this link <https://bit.ly/2SrOgdm> where you will already find some videos available to watch. We are looking to add more PE activities, story times and suggestions for activities.

Finally, you will have seen further speculation in the press this weekend, which we do hope has not unsettled you. We have had very little information beyond what is in the news and so I would recommend parents to wait until the announcement from the government which is, currently planned to be, next weekend. This will then allow us to develop our plan and share this with you.



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I would also like to remind you that we have started a new initiative with Agape foodbank called the **Long Sutton Food Larder** which is aimed at parents of children at the school. If you register at <https://bit.ly/2zE8b0p> we can then book you in for a slot to collect 10 free items of food. This is different from foodbank parcels and aimed to give you help in keeping your cupboards full at this very difficult time.

If you have any questions, or would like to speak to us, please do get in touch. There is a Senior Leader available each day in school if you wish to call, or you are able to email us at enquiries@longsutton.lincs.sch.uk. We are all here for you. Stay Safe!

Best wishes



Bill Lord
Headteacher

Additional resources can be found at:

Foundation Stage		
Online Early Years activities	Poisson Rouge	www.poissonrouge.com/free
Creative home activities for Early Years	Pete Moorhouse activities	https://bit.ly/3fhUp3M
Imagination tree	Creative art and craft activities for young children	https://theimaginationtree.com/
Circle Time fun	Home schooling activities	https://circletimefun.com/
Red Ted Art	Art activities	https://www.redtedart.com/
Key Stage One		
Home schooling activities	Circle Time fun	https://circletimefun.com/
Reading Vlogs	Reading rocks books review on video	https://litfilmfest.com/shop/reading-rocks-reviews/?
Key Stage Two		
Radioblogging	Radio station focused on English with author and poet interviews	www.radioblogging.net
Researchify	Classic books for older children	https://www.researchify.co.uk/audiobooks.html
Reading Vlogs	Reading rocks books review on video	https://litfilmfest.com/shop/reading-rocks-reviews/?
David Walliams	Free resource packs based on the books of David Walliams	https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/activities/



All ages		
Wildlife trust	Wildlife friendly activities	https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/looking-after-yourself-and-nature
Staying in with books	Booktrust	https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/have-some-fun/
Twinkl	Free Resources using the code UKTWINKLHELPS	www.twinkl.co.uk/offer
Classroom secrets	A series of bright and colourful activities for primary aged pupils	https://kids.classroomsecrets.co.uk/
Good 2 learn	A series of English and maths lessons with feedback for parents and learners	www.good2learn.com/good2learn/subscribe
Topmarks	Online maths and english games	www.topmarks.co.uk
Oxford Reading Tree Books	Books from Oxford University Press	www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for_home/
Prodigy game	Online maths games	https://www.prodigygame.com/
Pobble 365	Writing activities that the children can use as a stimulus for writing	www.pobble365.com
Read for good	On this website, children are able to create a short story that is fun and inspirational. From this, children can create extended adventures. This is suitable for all ages.	www.readforgood.org
Live writing lessons with Jane Considine	Online writing webinar with a lovely and lively teacher	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rs3rClhtQso
Kiddy Cook	Video demonstration for cooking at home	https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8f7-dQhFwAfrHqLmcgB4EQ
BBC recipes	Recipes for young children	https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/collection/kids-cooking
Learn a language	Duolingo (free)	www.duolingo.com
Tinkercad	Lots of things to make at home	https://www.tinkercad.com/

