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Blackboys CE Primary School School Lane Blackboys Uckfield East Sussex TN22 5LL





Framfield CE Primary School The Street Framfield Uckfield East Sussex TN22 5NR

Headteacher: Mrs L Pestell

Headteacher: Mr G Sullivan

20th March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

I have spoken to all of our children today about the school closure and reassured them the best we can and given them as much information as we have. We have talked about learning at home and how important it will be that they continue to grow and achieve so that we prepare them for their next step, which might be the next year group or their secondary schools. We also believe that the home work will offer stimulation and structure which will be really helpful under the circumstances. Teachers will endeavour to make the work relevant, gradually progressive and engaging and they are seeing this challenge as an opportunity to be really creative. I was really pleased to hear the conversation amongst parents at the school gate this afternoon about high expectations, structure to the day etc

• By 8.45am each morning, class teachers will upload 3 documents to their class page on the School website. There will be a document explaining an English task, spelling or phonics, a document explaining a Maths task and a document explaining a Science or Foundation task (RE, History, Geography, Music or Art). These activities will change daily. There will be links to resources including pictures and videos to support the learning. Some tasks will be set through 'online' learning platforms and others will be completed on paper.

• Today (Friday 20th March) each child will go home with resources to allow them to complete learning at home:

Kingfishers, Puffins and Eagles: ruler, white board, white board pen, pencil, squared and lined exercise book. Peacocks: Glue stick, pencil and a exercise book.

• Inside the cover of the exercise book will be a reminder of your child's log in for our online portals. Peacocks: Purple Mash and Mathletics

Kingfishers: Purple Mash, Mathletics and Spelling Shed.

Puffins: Purple Mash, Mathletics, Spelling Shed and Times Tables Rock Stars

Eagles: Purple Mash, Mathletics, Spelling Shed and Times Tables Rock Stars and Read Theory

• Each child will also leave School today with at least two reading books. At the end of the School closures, the books MUST be returned to School please. If the closure continues for some time, we are considering how to arrange a book exchange, details of this will follow.

• We were excited to hear from the BBC that they will be focusing on educational programmes for all year groups via the red button or iplayer.

• Should your child currently be absent from School, ill or in self-isolation, we will deliver their exercise books etc to your home on or before Monday 23rd March. We will also deliver at least 2 reading books.

• As long as they are well, office staff will be continuing to work, either at school or from home. The School Office can work remotely and will be sending regular Parent Mails. Emailing the School Office should be Parents first point of communication regarding administrative matters.

• Class teachers can also be contacted via the new class emails regarding home learning and will respond during their normal working hours. To encourage our children to engage with the learning and continue to achieve, teachers would welcome scanned homework, photos of home learning or typed writing etc and they will respond to any work sent. Teachers will still award 'star of the week certificates', and these will be announced on the 'Messages from the Headteacher'.

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Family Welfare and Wellbeing

We know that the impact of the virus is significant for all but for some there are additional worries about job security and finances. Schools have been told that they can help parents struggling to feed families. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you find yourself in need financially or emotionally.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L Pestell Headteacher