

Friday 20th March 2020

Dear Parents,

The children in school have had a wonderful day today and are bring home library books and something special each child has made to mark a special day. Hopefully, those of you in the playground at the end of the day heard the children singing as we finished.

During the time that we are not fully open, we want to work with families at home to help to continue to provide an education for your child/ren. We will provide suggestions of activities for children in F1 (see website link below) but are not offering a full timetable for our youngest pupils.

For pupils from F2- Year 6, we have provided a new exercise book to every child in school and have one ready in the foyer for everyone else to record work completed at home. Inside the front cover you will find the log in details for the sites which we subscribe to and which the children will need (maybe with your help) in order to complete some of their Learning from Home tasks.

If you have not already done this, please arrange to collect this from the school office between 8am-4pm Monday to Friday and please email the office if you unable to do this or arrange for anyone to do this on your behalf.

From today, we will set work weekly for children in every year group from **F2- Year 6** under a new **Learning from Home** tab on our website:-

https://www.westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk/website/learning from home/460299

We will provide a weekly timetable and tasks for each area of the curriculum to work through each day from Monday- Friday. There will also be some guidance materials and answers for some tasks to help parents as staff are unable to provide a marking service.

At the end of each week, we will upload the resources for each year group with lessons for the next week.

Some of the tasks provided may be completed on line and others may be downloaded and printed and some will be designed to be completed without access to a computer/ tablet. Log in details are inside your child's exercise book and sites referred to are reached under our usual **Home learning** tab (where we will continue to put our usual homework tasks including ideas for optional extras): https://www.westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk/website/home_learning/53902

We recognise the benefits of structure and routine and some kind of normality for children. We are stressing to the children still in school the importance of following the daily timetable of learning activities (with a bit of flexi-time to fit around other family commitments). We are asking you to

support us in trying to provide this so that they do not fall behind in their education during this period.

We hope that children will access and complete as much as they are able to and take pride in doing what they can to the very best of their ability. We do appreciate that not everyone will be able to access and complete everything- and it may be complicated if you have several children needing help.

If you have any queries for the teachers regarding Learning from Home, we have set up new key stage email addresses and a member of each team will try to check these daily:-

eyfs@westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk

ks1@westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk

lks2@westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk

uks2@westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk

We aim to continue receive and reply to emails via the school office of a general nature.

We are aware that there are difficult times ahead and hope that it will bring our community closer and bring out the best in us all as we all help each other through it. Please take care of yourselves and each other – and please make use of the tips on the link below if you can.

https://localofferwirral.org/looking-after-yourself-looking-after-your-children/

I will not continue with daily updates but will email when there is key information to share about our continuing provision. Looking forward to letting you know when we can re-open ©

With very best wishes

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