



18th March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

CHILDREN WORKING AT HOME

Should the school be told to close by the Government or Reading Borough Council, all children will be required to stay at home. This is not the case currently but if we are faced with this situation, we will take the following steps to help your children to continue to learn whilst they are at home.

IF THE SCHOOL IS CLOSED

- All children will be sent home with a pack of work which they can get on with for the first few days after the school closes.
- Children will also be sent home with an exercise book and pencil to complete any other work that they do at home.
- After this time, work will be uploaded to Google Classroom for children to access.
- Pupils should also read regularly by logging into Bug Club where they can access on-line books and quizzes. Your child will have been set a band of books that matches their reading ability.
- Pupils should also practice their times tables regularly by logging onto Times Tables Rock Stars.

Log-in details

- **Your child's log-in details for Google Classroom, Bug Club and Times Tables Rock Stars are attached to this letter.**
- Please put these somewhere safe so that you can access them should the school close.
- For Bug Club you will also need the school code as well as your child's log-in.
The school Bug Club code is grmk

How does my child access work on Google Classroom?

Children can access Google Classroom using a computer, a laptop, a tablet or a phone.

All pupils have a log-in to get into Google Classroom and all children have had practice logging into Google Classroom in school. Each class has their own Google Classroom where the teacher can set work for their class.

A quick 'how to guide' on using Google Classroom is attached to this letter and there is a more detailed video 'how to guide' on the website and on your child's Google Classroom.





What work will my child be set?

We will not be able to continue fully with the curriculum that we would usually provide in school. We will not set work at weekends, on bank holidays or during any school holidays.

We will prepare and upload work daily for the following subjects.

- A maths task
- A writing task
- A reading task
- A task for another subject such as history, RE, science or French.

All pupils should read using Bug Club and practice their times tables using Times Tables Rock Stars.

If we are unable to upload work daily for an extended period of time e.g. because a lot of teachers are ill, we will let you know.

CHILDREN AT HOME WHILST THE SCHOOL IS STILL OPEN

We know that an increasing number of pupils are staying at home either because they are in self-isolation because they or a family member have symptoms of Coronavirus, or because they have a serious underlying medical condition that makes them more at risk of serious complications should they catch the virus.

As a short term measure, we will send a work pack home through the post to anyone self-isolating. There is also a link on our website to additional activities for each year group, that children could be accessing at home.

We will review the numbers of children working at home, and if this significantly increases we will move towards uploading work on Google Classroom. We will contact all parents if we make this move.

Thank you for your continued support at this difficult and uncertain time.

Your sincerely,

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