

Attendance, Attention and Achievement

Weekly Newsletter

Date: 7th May 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have now been in contact with most of our community and it has been reassuring to hear that our children are all safe and well. If we receive any updates on reopening of schools we will keep you informed.

Please note the school will be closed to all pupils and staff tomorrow (Friday 8th May 2020 - May Bank Holiday). As it is a holiday, we hope that you, your children, families and friends will take time to relax and enjoy some quality time together.

Zoom Assemblies



It's been a joy to see those who are able to join us through the zoom assemblies. We will be sending dates and times for next week's Zoom assemblies through School Ping. Looking forward to seeing all pupils during the Zoom assembly next week!

Please see dates and times below:

Date	Time	Year Group
Monday 11th May	10:00 am	Years 1&2
Tuesday 12th May	10:00 am	Year 5
Wednesday 13th May	1:00 pm	Year 3
Wednesday 13th May	2:00 pm	Year 4
Thursday 14th May	11:30 am	Year 6

Start a Daily Routine and Make the Weekends Different

Creating a daily schedule for you and your family could help to manage sharing spaces and resources such as computers and other devices. Here are some tips on how to keep everyone calm and positive during the lockdown.

- Plan your weekly timetable as a family during a quieter time of day.
- Consider non-academic activities and needs, including physical exercise, chores, creative time, and your emotional well-being.
- Integrate blocks of time into the day to include these.
- Display the timetable where everyone can see it, and discuss how you will keep track of each block of time.



Mental Health Awareness Week



Mental Health Awareness week starts Monday 18th May. The theme for this year is “Kindness”.

In these uncertain times, our community, the kindness and selflessness of others, has given us hope, a cause to give thanks and to celebrate every Thursday. Perhaps this will lead to lasting change towards a mentally healthy society for all?

Helping others is also good for our own mental health and wellbeing, so perhaps your family might like to join in by completing the “Kindness Calendars” shared on our Google Classroom or create your own.

https://email.sja.org.uk/sja_marketinglz/Instances/sja_marketinglz/documents/newsletters/Kindnesscalendar2020.pdf

You can also take action, get active and feel good by being active for 30 minutes each day in whatever way works best for you and your family. <https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/events/take-action-get-active-2020>

If you’d like tips to help you, your family and your friends’ wellbeing during the Coronavirus outbreak visit <https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/publications/looking-after-your-mental-health-during-coronavirus-outbreak>

Online Learning

A big thank you to all our parents and carers working hard to support their children to access their learning through google classroom or coming to school to collect homework packs.

Our teachers are continuing to upload work on Google Classroom and on the website. If you are finding it difficult to give your child access to a device, please call the school for a paper pack. We will organise one for you to collect.



A reminder of the benefits of using Google Classroom:

- Once the child has completed the work it is kept safe
- Teachers can access and give constructive feedback
- Children can ask questions via the comment box
- Children can comment and clarify learning concepts with their peers on a safe and monitored platform

We have tried hard to resolve all login and technical issues parents have been facing. If you are still facing any of these issues, you can email the school on info@essex.newham.sch.uk or call the school.

If you’re finding it difficult to share access to the family computer, please be aware that the BBC have launched BBC Bitesize Daily on your TV through BBC Red Button. Their schedules are constantly updated with new exciting content put together in consultation with teachers and education experts. If you’ve missed any content then online lessons will be available on the BBC Bitesize website and all programmes remain available on BBC IPlayer.



Simply press the **red button** on your remote control at any time. Sometimes you will be prompted to press the **red button** by an announcement in a programme or a **red button** logo appearing in the top right-hand corner of your TV screen. Here is the link to the schedule for next week's lessons.

https://bam.files.bbc.co.uk/bam/live/content/zv9nf4j/pdf#sa-link_location=blocks&intlink_from_url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.bbc.co.uk%2Fteach%2Fbitesize-daily-lessons-schedule%2Fzdtwjhv%3Fdm_t%3D0%2C0%2C0%2C0%2C0&intlink_ts=1588847889621-sa

Some other websites to support your child with home learning:

<https://readtheory.org/auth/login>

<https://www.timestables.co.uk/>

<https://ttrockstars.com/>

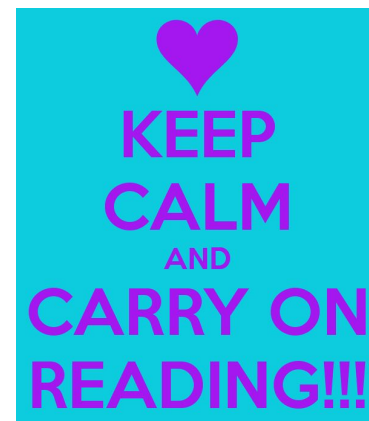
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/category/22/most-popular>

<https://www.lgfl.net/learning-resources/gri>

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

<https://www.thenational.academy/>



Family Fun

Try something fun and creative to complete which does not cost you anything.

Find a small pebble when you are out for a family walk or from your garden. Bring it home and give it a good wash. Then paint any insect or animal on the rock, it could even be a mythical beast. If you don't have any paint you can use Sharpies or felt-tips. Once your stone is dry you can use clear nail varnish to give it a beautiful shine if you have some. Mrs Mojzes has created this beautiful ladybird. What will yours look like? Have it ready to show at your next zoom assembly.



Here are more by some of your teachers and we're looking forward to seeing what you have created.

Yours sincerely,

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Mrs Amber Ilyas