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‘Teamwork Makes the Dream Work’

Dear Parent /Carers, due to the recent government guidelines surrounding the Coronavirus each child in the Early Years is being given a home learning book.

We have worked hard as a team to provide learning experiences which are reflective of the Early Years curriculum and promote the development of the characteristics all children need which are:

To Play and Explore, Be Active Learners and have Creative and Critical Thinking Skills.

Here is a **suggested timetable** which you may wish to follow at home.

Morning

Day	9-9.30	9.30-10	10-10.30	10.30-11.30	11.30-12
Monday	Local walk- I spy games	Maths number blocks episodes on CBeebies	Espresso phonics with scrap	Scissor skills	Reading own books
Tuesday	9 minute exercise routine- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oc4QS2USKmk	Maths number blocks episodes	Espresso phonics with scrap	Name writing	Online reading- to include Espresso news
Wednesday	Local walk- I spy games	Maths Espresso	Espresso phonics with scrap	Scissor skills	Reading own books
Thursday	9 minute exercise routine- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oc4QS2USKmk	Maths number blocks episodes on CBeebies	Espresso phonics with scrap	mark making	Songs and rhymes
Friday	Local walk-	Maths Espresso	Espresso phonics with scrap	Name writing	Songs and rhymes

Please note online reading and Scrap Phonics can be found on Espresso please log on.

Espresso can be accessed via the internet type in Discovery Education Espresso and enter login details that teachers will email you.

Once logged in click on to the Foundation tab to access the following resources then click on the chosen area of development.

- Literacy – Phonics, ABC, Books, Nursery rhymes and Rat-a-tat-tat.
- Maths-Shapes, Numbers 0-20 and Problem solving.

Afternoon sessions can be spent doing the following

- Making playdough (If you can get the ingredients) see sheet attached
- Experiment- 'Guess what' see sheet attached
- Creative cutting, sticking, painting sessions
- Music- movement and dance
- Sharing books together
- Mark making in the outdoor space

During this time, we have to take the time to understand that our children are aware that changes are happening and may begin to sense and feel our anxieties. They have never experienced anything like this before although the idea of being off school sounds awesome the reality of not seeing their friends and not having their regular routine may have an impact. You may see changes in their behaviour as they manage their frustration. So we need to reassure them and offer lots of comfort and love. The above is a suggestion which can be incorporated with playing games, going for walks, watching movies together.

On behalf of the Early Years Team, we would like to say...
have fun learning together at home and regardless of the uncertain circumstances we face, working together we will continue to strive for the best!

The Early Years Team