



Reception and Year 1

Dear Parents/Carers,

Please find below information with regards to the work that has been prepared for your child during the Coronavirus closure. Although the length of time is unknown, we have made arrangements for up to 11 weeks. Please read the information carefully so that your child can make full use of the resources available to them.

1 or 2 Week closure:

Work has been prepared by your child's class teacher in the event of a 1 or 2 week closure. This has been uploaded on to the school website for you to access and a hard copy of the first week has also been sent home with your child. You can locate the work by following the steps below:

1. Select the curriculum tab at the top
2. Select the home learning option on the left of the next page
3. Select your child's year group on the next page
4. Select the week that is required

Within these packs, there is Maths, Writing, Reading, GPS, Science and History/Geography work available so that your child receives a range of curriculum coverage. An exercise book has been provided in which all the work can be completed, unless you wish to print it out and work straight onto the sheets.

More than 2 weeks closure:

In the event that we are forced to close for longer than 2 weeks, we have purchased workbooks to support home learning for your child (3 weeks of learning if spaced out correctly). Please be aware that this has had a large financial impact on the school. Therefore:

- These books are **ONLY** to be used if we are closed for more than 2 weeks.
- All work can be completed in the workbooks.

More than 5 weeks closure:

In the event that we are forced to close for longer than 5 weeks, we are preparing a further 3 weeks work which you will be able access from our website (Week 6, Week 7, Week 8). You will be able to locate the work by following the steps below:

1. Select the curriculum tab at the top
2. Select the home learning option on the left of the next page
3. Select your child's year group on the next page
4. Select the week that is required

Within these packs, there is Maths, Writing, Reading, GPS and project work available so that your child receives a range of curriculum coverage. An exercise book has been provided in which all the work can be completed, unless you wish to print it out and work straight onto the sheets.

Online Work:

As you know, all pupils have access to a number of online activities which can also be accessed on mobile phones. We therefore strongly suggest that children spend some time each day on these to reinforce their basic skills.

Your child has access to the following:

- Bug Club
- Mathletics
- Times Table Rockstars
- Purplemash

In order to access these they will need their username and password. This can be found in their home communication books and on the login card they have been sent home with.

In addition they can also access music tuition through our online music scheme of work Charanga as you may want to use this enforced closure time for your child to start learning a new skill!

All of these links are also on our website

1. Select the children zone tab at the top
2. Select the link you wish to use

If you have any difficulties accessing these please email your child's year group teachers (see below)

Accessing support:

We are aware that there may be aspects your child is covering that you wish to have additional support on. Therefore during the current closure you can email any questions you have to the teachers in your child's year group and a member of teaching staff in your child's year group will then respond to you and give you advice.

This email support facility will be available between 9 am - 12 and 1pm - 3pm Monday to Friday during term time.

Each year group has its own email so please ensure you use the correct one in order that your question goes to the right staff. The email addresses are simply:

yeargroup@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk

So Reception would use reception@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk

Year 1 would use year1@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk and so on.

Further work

In the unlikely event that further work is need this will be posted on our website.

On-going communication

We realise that this situation is unusual and we may not be operation in the normal way for a while but we believe it is essential that we remain in regular contact with you. Therefore a newsletter update will be sent out every Wednesday during this closure just so that we remain connected and informed as a community. If the information or guidance changes between these times we will of course contact you immediately.