

Thursday, 19th March 2020

Dear Year 2 Parents and Carers,

Following advice from the DFE and Public Health England, all schools have been informed that they will be closed from the end of the day on Friday, 20th March 2020 for an indefinite period of time. Children are of course welcome to remain in school until that date.

As a school we have put in place measures for your child to complete school set work from home for the next couple of weeks. Other work will follow. Work available currently is as follows:

- KS1 SATS – We have had confirmation that Year 2 SATs will not take place this academic year. However, accompanying this letter are workbooks for English, Mathematics and Science. Children can work through these at their own pace. We would suggest that they start by focusing on areas that they find more challenging in preparation for Year 3.
- Literacy - Reading Eggs - Accompanying this letter is a log in and password for Reading Eggs. Children can access books and activities at their own level. For those children who have used Reading Eggs via the school before, please note that we have reset all work. Work completed at home can be seen by the class teacher remotely.
- Literacy – Daily Reading – We expect children to be reading for at least half an hour everyday. If you are stuck for book ideas, there are suggested reading lists on every year group page on the website.
- Literacy – Writing – Keep a daily journal to ensure that your writing remains fluent. You can write the journal as yourself or as a book character from your favourite book.
- Literacy – Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar – Workbooks used in class throughout this academic year accompanies this letter. Pages to be completed during the closure have been noted.
- Literacy – Spelling – At the start of the summer term we will be holding our annual Spelling Bee. Lists of words accompany this letter so that children can start learning them now.
- Mathematics – Mathletics - Accompanying this letter is a log in and password for Mathletics. Work has been set which needs to be completed before school recommences. This work can be seen by the class teacher remotely. Children can also complete additional activities if they choose.
- Science – Accompanying this letter is a workbook based on our current science topic. Children should aim to complete this before returning to school.

See the future...it starts here

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- Coding – Children across the school are familiar with coding activities designed by Max Wainwright and used in class coding lessons. Go to www.newend.net then log in as "New End" to see the different activities.
- Art – A sketchbook has been provided as well as a drawing pencil. Other art materials can be used if available at home as well. Children are to complete sketches every school day to create their own portfolio. They may like to sketch the view from their window, set up their own still life or draw portraits of family members.
- Topic Project – In addition, children are encouraged to complete their own research project based around the topic "Animals". The project can be completed on computer / devices or on paper.

If your child does not have access to stationery items such as a ruler, pencil sharpener, coloured pencils, there are sets available to collect at the school office.

Thank you to the NESAs trustees who agreed to fund Mathematics / Mathseeds, workbooks going home and stationery items for those who require it.

During the closure you may have questions or need clarity.

If they are school wide question please contact head@newend.camden.sch.uk . A response will be provide as quickly as possible but please remember that the school is still required to uphold GDPR principles so will not be sharing information relating to other children or families. I will continue to update parents via the school app and email for whole school issues.

If you have any safeguarding concerns about a child during the period of closure, please call the Camden Children and Families team.

Telephone 020 7974 3317

Out of hours: 020 7974 4444

E-mail LBCMASHadmin@camden.gov.uk

If the question relates to the home learning noted earlier, please email **all** the year group teachers listed below as staff will be working on a rota system during the closure in case of illness.


leonie.devine@newend.camden.sch.uk

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Teachers will respond to emails every school day (not weekends or the planned Easter holiday from 4th April until 19th April) between 10am and 12 noon.

Until we see you back in school, continue to take care of yourselves and look out for each other.

Best wishes



Karyn Ray

Headteacher