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### **Message from Gyles**

Firstly can I say a huge thank you for all your efforts in supporting your children and positive messages we have received over the last few days. It has certainly been a strange week. Since the first lockdown we have been preparing for the situation we find ourselves in now, thinking about how we can make the learning accessible and provide live instruction to support families and ensure the children continue to progress with their learning. However, we did not expect to have to put the whole process into operation in less than 48hrs.

The staff have worked tirelessly to get up and running in that time and we have been amazed at how the children have adapted again to a different type of learning. It has been great to see and be able to speak to the children this time and hope it has been a help for you at home. I also hope it has not been too stressful.

We are here to support you, please message with any technical issues and we will do what we can to help. There is the expectation that children complete the learning each day, but we all appreciate this is sometimes not possible and things have to change. That is fine. We don't want to add any extra pressures and stresses to your day, so do what you can when you can.

Please keep an eye on the calendar in Teams each day as the timetable for classes may change slightly as we find what works best. We will let you know if this is the case as soon as we can. The core subjects are most important to join in with and complete, but please stay in contact with us so we know how we can support you if necessary. I hope you have a relaxing weekend and look forward to seeing the children again on Monday.

Take care.

### **Remote Learning: From next week**

Now we have had a few days to get to grips with how things are working and what we are able to achieve there might be small changes to timetables and sessions from next week. Teachers will let you know as soon as possible of any changes, but children need to keep an eye on their calendar which has the meetings arranged.

#### **English:**

From next week class 2 and 3's English is going to be combined. We are going to be using Mrs C's The Write Stuff live lessons she is providing for schools and children at home. Her lessons will mirror the way we have been teaching English in school since September, so the children will be used to the structure and language she uses. It will also mean that if you have siblings across Class 2 and 3 they will be able to do their English together at 11:00am and so will be able to discuss and support each other with their writing. Mary is going to attempt to Stream the lesson through Microsoft Teams to her class so she will be able to assist with discussions and check they are getting on well. So if you have siblings in Class 2 and 3 you might want to log in to Mary's lesson and view that way. Class 3 will be able to watch the lesson independently through a link on their assignment to YouTube and then join Roxy or myself in the afternoon for a drop in session to check over anything they want.

The sessions are 1 hour long, so the children will need to be prepared with paper, pen and somewhere comfortable to work while watching. The lessons will also be available on YouTube through the day after 10am so it also gives you the opportunity to catch up at a later time or split the session up with breaks by pausing the video.

If you have any questions then just contact your class teacher.