

Hello to all our lovely pupils in Year 3, we miss you all very much!

We want you all to remember that as we remain at home for most of the day, we are protecting ourselves and others. This virus will pass! But, we must follow instructions very closely so that we all come through it safely. We don't want any of you to be frightened, because most of those who catch it will become well again. However, we know that you are all very thoughtful children and, as such, will think of those who are not in good health, or are elderly like great-grandparents. We are protecting everyone by working together.

We sincerely hope you are all keeping safe, well and active. Remember that every morning at 9.00 a.m. Joe Wicks is doing exercise classes just for you! I wonder if many of you have got your parents to join in? http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAxW1XT0iEJo0TYlRfn6rYQ

If you have a garden, take advantage of the sunshine and fresh air to play, exercise and have fun outdoors. It is really important to have some structure to your days. So, you could make up a timetable to provide a balance of learning and exercise for each day. Remember too, that learning can take place indoors or in the garden! Has anyone painted a rainbow to put in their window for passers by?

Try very hard not to argue too much with your parents, brothers or sisters. Take some time to help with jobs around the house. Keep your bedroom tidy, so you have a nice calm place to spend time in. Sort through your books and toys - you might find something good to read and if there are things you don't need anymore these can be passed on to others at a later date!

What have your teachers been up to?

Some of us have been into school a little bit to work with some of the children whose parents are key workers. Those children have been doing lots of exercise, cooking, gardening and arts and crafts.

Mrs Crowther has decided to try some watercolour painting, as it is a passion of hers and it's been a while since she's had a go. I wonder if we will get to see her finished piece?

Ms Winslade has been looking after her son, as well as getting fresh air and taking photos on any walks they've had with the dogs. They have also done some digging and tidying in the garden.

Mrs Ottaway and Mr Evenden have both been in their gardens, sorting out what they could start to plant over the next few weeks. I am sure they will keep us up updated on what they decide. Do you think Mr Evenden's tortoise is wandering round the garden yet, or is it still too chilly?

Here are a couple of photos that Ms Winslade took on a walk. Can you name these spring flowers? How about trying to use a plastic bottle to create some spring blossom pictures? There are also a lot of activities we know you'd like to do at the moment, but can't. You could write them on paper and pop them in a jar to do after we go back to normal.









Education City and Purple Mash

Please go into The **My Homework** section of <u>Education City</u>, where we will set key activities for you to do. We can see how you have got on and add or change future work. There will be more added over the next few weeks. Please let us know what you have enjoyed. Don't forget, there are plenty of tools to use in <u>Purple Mash</u>. Use the Concept Maps app to share and collaborate with the rest of the class, or perhaps a writing or paint project linked to our topics.

Also continue to use the following:

<u>www.sumdog.com/sch/northdowns</u> The spelling and grammar sections on here are now free too! <u>www.ttrockstars.com</u> <u>http://scratch.mit.edu/</u> (Scratch 3)

We have set up a **Year 3 blog on Purple Mash** - please add your comments to it, as we are missing you all, and would love to hear what you've been doing. It should appear in the **Sharing** tab (your Purple Mash menu might look a bit different to ours!). It is called Flamingos and Toucans.



Check with an adult at home that it is okay for you to watch YouTube. Don't follow any other links unless they have said it's okay to do so.

Remember, you can check here to make sure you are using the internet and social media safely http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/44074704

French for the spring term - Introducing yourself and finding out about other people. Numbers, colours, days of the week and months of the year.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z39d7ty

Watch some of the clips and then try some of the activities on this link. https://www.lightbulblanguages.co.uk/resources-pr-fr-resources.htm

There are lots of matching games on this site: http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2french.html

You could draw numbers, objects and colours in your home learning book and label them, creating a poster.

Music- let's keep singing and making music



https://www.surreyartsinteractive.co.uk/site/

You can now log in to our interactive music scheme using your normal personal log-in details. Please fill in as instructed on screen. Keep an eye on this section for activities to try in the next few days as we are just getting used to it ourselves. Don't sing alone.... why not invite family members to make a mini choir! Maybe you could make a homemade instrument.



Could you make up a song about spring, birds, the seaside or whatever you have been to? You could use a tune you already know!

LOTC (Learning outside the classroom)

Well, we are all learning outside the classroom at the moment but here is a list of some activities which can be easily adapted wherever you are:

- Yoga/ Mindfulness with Cosmic Kids: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0lmHIWzP49M
- If you can get hold of some seeds, start growing your own fruit/ vegetables. Just be careful not to put them outside until the danger of frost has passed. Seeds can happily grow indoors too! Think of interesting containers to plant them in old wellies, plastic bottles, jam jars...
- Why not design a windmill linked to our forces work in science.
 https://www.idealhome.co.uk/diy-and-decorating/how-to-make-a-paper-windmill-easy-step-by-step-instructions-51144
- You could take some photos of spring flowers and create a quiz or top trumps game to remember the names of them.

Complete your own Garden Bird Watch.

Go into the garden, or look out of a window for half an hour (you will need to have a break - perhaps take it in turns with another family member). How many different birds visit your garden (if you don't have a garden, you'll still see lots of birds outside) Use the RSPB site to help identify birds; https://www.rspb.org.uk/birds-and-wildlife/wildlife-guides/identify-a-bird/ keep a tally. You may decide to repeat this on a different day, or a different time. Do different birds come into the garden at different times? Add anything interesting you notice to the blog. You could also draw the birds and describe their appearance and behaviour. Or create a graph like we did on Purple Mash in Maths.

TOPIC- The South East

As you know, were very lucky to be able to go on our school trip to Brighton. Following on from this at school we would be comparing Brockham, Dorking and Brighton. You could use your knowledge that you have already to talk about land use in these places. See if you can find online or paper maps of these places. How many land uses can you see? E.g. farming, shops and houses.

Remember: Keep your mind and your body active

Think of yourself and others

We will all be together again as soon as possible

From Mrs Crowther, Mr Evenden, Mrs Ottaway, Ms Winslade