

Tuesday 17th March 2020

Following announcements from the Department for Education and coronavirus updates, I would like to update you on action the school is starting to take. The current advice is that all schools should remain open unless advised to close by Public Health England, so we will be open as normal.

The advice to stop non-essential contact and travel means we are cancelling a number of events and activities. Currently these are:

- Mothering Sunday event on Friday 20th March, 9-10am is cancelled but the children will continue with the activities in school
- Homework share on Tuesday 24th March, 2.45 – 3pm is cancelled but the children will continue to share their homework

The most recent guidance states that anyone who lives with someone who has a new continuous cough or a temperature should stay at home for 14 days.

We are preparing a contingency plan to enable the children to access some learning should the government decide to close to schools We will communicate information to you about this separately.

For starters, here are a couple of suggestions:

- Activities from the class homework topic web – <http://www.uleyprimary.co.uk/the-curriculum/homework/>
- Athletics – children have been given logins. Any problems please phone the school
- Rainbow Maths practice – <http://www.uleyprimary.co.uk/the-curriculum/maths/>
- <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/freeIndex.htm>
- <http://wordsforlife.literacytrust.org.uk>
- <https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/tips-and-advice/reading-tips/how-to-read-with-your-child/>
- <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/welcome-back/for-home/reading-owl/reading>
- <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/english--1/spelling-at-primary-school/Scratch>
- <https://scratch.mit.edu/explore/projects/games/> Creative computer programming
- Cbeebies Radio <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/radio> Listening activities for the younger ones
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

The situation is changing daily and there will be some questions that are difficult to answer at this point. I would imagine I will be communicating again before the week is out.

Kind regards,

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