

Winwick CE Primary School

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HOME LEARNING UPDATE & REOPENING ANNONCEMENT

Dear Parents/Carers,

We would like to give a warm 'welcome back' to all our children and families after the half term break. Today we were due to begin our phased reopening of school for more of our pupils, starting with our Reception children this week; however, yesterday afternoon we were contacted by the Local Authority who have advised all Warrington schools that they should remain closed for all but our Key Worker group until further notice. Immediately following the receipt of this information, we informed the parents of children who were due to return this morning.

Further updates about any phased re-opening will be given as soon as we have more information to share with you. At this present time, school will continue to remain open for our key worker group only. Online home learning activities will continue as in previous weeks for all year groups.

Home Learning Update

Today, as we mark the beginning of the new term, we will be turning on new learning on our class pages (you can find this on your child's class page under the 'School Closure Information & Learning' tab). This will continue to be there for every year group in the school. In addition to the class pages, there are lots of other pages with a range of different activities which children might want to have a go at too; these can be found in the 'Resources for All' section. Mrs Dymond will continue sharing a weekly whole school worship every Monday at 2.45pm for those children in school learning in their PODS, as well as those learning at home. We apologise if there is a delay with this week's worship time as this week's was pre-recorded prior to the Local Authority announcement and so the original worship will now need to be replaced.

On each class learning page, we have provided you with a range of resources for children to access to support their learning, along with links to useful websites and online tools (e.g. Purple Mash, SumDog, TTRockstars, Reading Plus [Y2-6], Evidence Me[Reception]), but we DO NOT expect that children will complete all of these activities; nor do we expect that children will complete every activity that has been shared by class teachers on their class pages. Instead, we want to provide you with a wide selection of different activities and resources so that you have enough range and that there will be enough choice to cater for all children's needs. Please DO NOT put pressure on yourselves to try and replicate what we do in the classrooms, even if your class has returned to more formal learning in school, as we know that this is an impossible task.

If you haven't already done so, please have a look at Purple Mash; it contains a range of different activities and games for children to complete across the curriculum. Children can also save their work into folders and this can be seen by the teachers in school. Teachers can also use this tools to set '2Dos' which are activities the teacher has specifically chosen for the children to complete and has signposted them to; some of these can then be submitted

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and staff can make a comment back to the children too. As all our staff are now based in school and working with groups of children every day, you may not get a response to the work set from your existing class teacher; however a member of staff will continue to check the Purple Mash tasks daily and respond to you about your learning.

In addition to this, we also have links to the Oak Academy, BBC Bitesize and Online Phonics sessions too.

If you are struggling to access home learning due to lack of internet access or only have limited access to online learning because you only have a mobile phone, please email the school on <u>winwick_primary@warrington.gov.uk</u>, or leave an answer phone message by calling the school office so that we can support you with this.

We also would like to remind all our children and families that, although we can't all be together in person, school are still here if you need us for help and support. The best (and quickest) way to get in contact with us is to email us at <u>winwick_primary@warrington.gov.uk</u> and you can also leave us an answer phone message by calling the school office. Please do not drop into the school at all as we cannot let you into the building unless a prior appointment has been made.

At the beginning of this final half of the Summer term, our new value of Courage seems quite appropriate in these difficult times. We will keep going and show Courage through the challenges and the difficult times as we know that, once this is over, we will all be back together once more.

Thank you for your continued support, with the warmest of wishes,

The Whole of the Winwick Team.

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