

Rothwell Schools News

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Welcome to this week's newsletter following the surprise announcement about the potential re-opening of schools. I have been in contact with you this week via separate letters to seek your support in gathering further information about possible return to school numbers for children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. This information is helping to form part of the risk assessment that we are undertaking to ensure that is safe for us to open as a school. This planning will be a big focus of our time next week and we have communicated further information to you in another separate letter today. All survey responses to be completed by 9am on Monday please.

A number of parents have asked questions about what the possible schooling may look like and these frequently asked questions from the Department for Education may be helpful in supporting you to make the right decision for your family.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/reopening-schools-and-other-educational-settings-from-1-june#what-happens-if-there-is-a-confirmed-case-of-coronavirus-in-my-childs-school-college-or-childcare-setting>

Home Learning Resource Hives



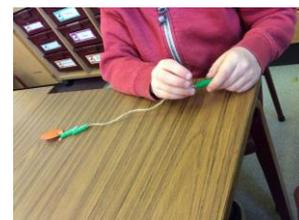
Our usual home learning newsletters have been emailed home and uploaded to the school website today. A reminder **there is no expectation that all of the activities have to be completed, but more for you to decide each day what is achievable for your family.** We do not want home learning to be a battle so choose activities that are fun and that you can share - and share your successes with us on email via the addresses above.

Following parental requests we will also be emailing out and placing in the Bee Hives as a new addition the **White Rose Daily Maths worksheets** that support the day lessons that have been online. These have been sent out with the home learning newsletters today. A reminder that the Bee Hives can be accessed from Monday to Friday from 9.30am-2.30pm at the Infant School and are restocked during the day. *A polite reminder please leave the resources tidy as this makes it easier for all to access.*

Keyworker Childcare Provision

This week myself, Miss Robertson, Mr Spearman, Mrs Ward, Mrs Hansard and Mrs Rutherford have been in school running the provision. This week we have been working on an animal theme and the children have been learning about a different habitat each day. On Monday we went on safari making milk bottle Elmer elephants and writing elephant fact files.

On Tuesday we visited the British Countryside learning about as well as spotting birds within the school grounds, we were amazed to watch a red kite fly over head. On Wednesday we went to the jungle and the children created their own parrots for our special hall display. On Thursday we went under the sea and the children learnt a dance



choreographed by JJ from Fiesta Sports to the Lilo and Stitch song Hawaiian Rollercoaster. The week ended with a trip to the arctic with the children experiencing snow alongside an end of the week treat ice cream! Fiesta Sports have continued to run the afternoon sessions and this has included many different sports outside. A big thank you to our cleaning staff who have been in school again this week deep cleaning both sites.



Cassie's Staycation

We are supporting the latest fundraising campaign for Cransley Hospice called Cassie's Staycation. Details of this campaign were emailed home to all families and we would be grateful to those who are able to support this cause in honour of Mrs Calderone who passed away recently. Activities for week 3 will be emailed out to parents. Donations can also be made on the following just giving link: [Just Giving Link Rothwell](https://www.justgiving.com/rothwell)

We understand that finances are difficult for many families at the moment so if you are able to support big or small we would be grateful for your generosity. We have raised an impressive **£1415** so far.



Contact us

A reminder the easiest way to contact us during the closure is via email for the Infants parents.rvis@rothwellschools.org.uk and for the Juniors parents.rjs@rothwellschools.org.uk as these accounts are monitored regularly during the day from Mrs Jackson and Miss Alden who are working from home. Please **do not** reply to the teachers2parents emails which school letters and newsletters are sent from as these emails will not work and bounce back to you. If you change your phone number or email address during this time please email us to let us know so your contact details remain up to date with us.

VE 75 Day at Home: Friday 8th May 2020-Sunday 10th May 2020



Thank you for sending in your VE celebration photographs it looked like you all had a fantastic time celebrating with your bunting, afternoon teas and picnics. A particular highlight for us was seeing all the people who joined to celebrate the virtual surprise afternoon tea that Mrs Leder had from her daughter; I know she was touched by all your kind messages and photographs so thank you!

Poetry Competition

Pathfinder Schools are running a Poetry Competition judged by author Chris Smith who would like your poems about 'Heroes'. We would love to see the children from the Rothwell Schools represented. Please see the email sent home or our Facebook pages with a video from Chris and posters detailing the information for EYFS, KS1 and KS2 entries.

Stay Safe and thank you for your continued support,

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