



Eaton Primary School



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Dear Parents

We are now at the start of the summer term and although still in school closure, I would like to welcome children back to their learning at home.

Home Learning

Our approach to home learning is developing and is now made up of the following 4 strands:

1. **Class Dojo:** an online classroom which supports video, messaging and teacher feedback. Our aim is that all children and parents are using Class Dojo and we are resending login information to anyone who has not yet accessed the platform. It is the primary way to keep in touch with the school and your teacher during closure.
2. **Home Learning Activity Grid:** Teachers will set new activities in maths and English every 2 weeks. The activities will be posted on to our website home page (<http://www.eaton.norfolk.sch.uk/>) and will be emailed to parents. Teachers will also post the activities onto Class Dojo over two weeks, so that pupils can post their work and teachers can give feedback.
3. **Oak National Academy:** (<https://www.thenational.academy/online-classroom/schedule/#schedule>) A government backed online classroom with daily lessons in maths, English and foundation subjects. Highly structured with video input from teachers, these provide children with 1 hour long lessons focused on the National Curriculum objectives.
4. **White Rose Home Learning:** (<https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/>) White Rose is a dedicated maths team working to provide free online resources for schools. Eaton pupils are taught from the White Rose scheme of work, and so this is an ideal way of supporting maths learning at home. It has a similar approach to Oak with structured input and activities.

I am sign posting parents and pupils to these resources so that families can make their own choices about how to engage with learning at home. The DfE have been clear that there is no expectation that children engage with the National Curriculum during closure. The resources are there to help with life at home during this time.

Special Educational Needs

If your child has an individual education plan (IEP), school will review progress towards your child's targets and set new targets. Parents will now be able to access IEPs online. Information will be emailed to parents within the next two weeks explaining how this can be done. If you have any questions about your child's IEP you can contact our Senco, Mrs Goodson at senco@eaton.norfolk.sch.uk

Welfare

See Something, Hear Something, Say Something

A county-wide campaign was launched on Thursday 9 April calling on communities to look out for children and young people, during the current coronavirus lockdown. Entitled ***See Something, Hear Something, Say Something***, the campaign focuses on keeping children safe, as families face the pressure of staying at home for this prolonged period. Referrals and contacts to the County Council have fallen over the last fortnight and in response those across the Norfolk Safeguarding Children Partnership are looking for new ways to reach out to children, families and the wider public. Campaign posters are attached to this email.

Mental Health Support in Education

Many services and organisations have changed what they do as a result of COVID 19. Support for children and young people's mental health and emotional wellbeing (formerly known as CAMHS) has also changed.

www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/mentalhealth

This is now the single place to find out how to access mental health advice and support for 0 -25's in Norfolk & Waveney. The key message is that you don't need a referral, you can get in touch straight away for advice and support. If you need more specialist help, they will make sure you get to the right person.

Free School Meals (FSM)

If your child is eligible for a FSM, you will be sent an e-code by email week commencing 20 April. This can be exchanged online for a supermarket food voucher to the value of £15 per child per week. E-codes will be sent weekly for the duration of school closure during term time. If your circumstances have changed and you think you may be entitled to FSMs please apply <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/school-meals-and-milk>

We are following closely the national conversation with respect to an end of the current lock down restrictions and the prospect of schools reopening. I will keep parents informed of how our local planning evolves as we gain information from central Gov. and the Local Authority.

In the meantime, I wish everyone the very best and hope you are all able to enjoy the good weather that we are fortunate to have during these days at home. And again our thanks to all those who are on the coronavirus frontline.

Kind regards



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