

Our second week in school has been busy and, even though a little colder than last week, we have still been able to enjoy some outdoor learning. It has been lovely to see children of all year groups playing together, not only on the playground but also enjoying the resources in the Year R outside area. Miss Hammond enjoyed this too, being driven to different places in the Year R car by some of the children!

We are pleased that parents are following the advice to keep children at home unless absolutely necessary and respecting the service that is being provided by our dedicated staff for key workers. **Home is the safest place for your child.** For the children at school we are continuing with our good hygiene routine including regular washing of our hands for 20 seconds.

For those children completing their learning at home – well done! I have heard about some lovely activities that are being completed and it seems there is also a lot of baking going on too – maybe in a few years' time we'll have a few participants on the 'Great British Bake Off!' If you haven't had a copy of our home learning ideas sheet, then please go onto our website where you will find a link at the top of the page titled 'Home learning and timetable.' This will take you to our home learning ideas.

The bedtime stories on the school's Facebook page are really lovely, keep reading and checking back in as there will continue to be more uploaded.

The home learning that we sent out is on a 2 week cycle. We do not expect children to work over what would be the Easter holidays. On Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April we will be issuing our next home learning. Following some feedback from parents, there will be some 'Helpful hints' on the back page to help with completing the home learning activities. If you require a paper copy please contact the school office which is manned 8am-3pm Monday to Friday.

Thank you to the Year R parents who have uploaded their children's learning to Tapestry, the teachers have enjoyed looking at all of your lovely home learning. Unfortunately we are unable to message parents during this time, but please do continue to upload your learning if you would like to, as we do enjoy looking at all of the children's lovely work.

For those parents who are key workers or their situation changes and they become key workers please call us to discuss childcare arrangements. Thank you to each and every one of you for the vital services you are providing at this crucial time.

Our setting will continue to be open over the whole Easter holidays (including bank holidays) for a limited amount of children who are vulnerable and for children whose parents are critical to the COVID-19 response **and cannot be safely cared for at home.** Please email us on [keyworker@tweseldown.hants.sch.uk](mailto:keyworker@tweseldown.hants.sch.uk) if you need childcare over the Easter period **by 10:00am on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020.** Thank you.

The staff at Tweseldown continue to work hard both at home and in school. The professionalism shown by everyone to ensure the children and their families are supported during this time is amazing. Thank you to everyone for all that you are doing during this period of time.

Keep safe everyone,

Louise Barnes

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