

Friday 12th June 2020

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

UPLANDS MANOR PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# **Home Learning**

I would like to remind you of the provision for home learning from Uplands Manor Primary School as a number of parents have said that they were unaware of the provision that was in place. It is hard to get the balance right and we understand that some parents will want their children working throughout the day whilst others will not have much time or the right technology to complete much work with their children. We fully understand this as a school and please remember, your child's safety and physical and mental wellbeing are the most important things at this time. Please just do as much as you can at home and, if you can't do much learning, prioritise reading every day with your child for at least 20minutes.

## Weekly Learning Overviews

Every Monday at 8.30am, we are publishing learning activities and resources for children through our school website: www.uplandsmanor.sandwell.sch.uk. There will be activities for Maths, English and other curriculum areas for your child to work through at their own pace. They can be found by clicking the 'Home Learning' tab on the left-hand menu:



Once you click this tab, please select your child's year groups to access their learning tasks for the week ahead.



For parents without access to the internet or a printer, you are bale to collect paper packs of work from school for your child to complete. These are available from Monday afternoon every week (packs provide two weeks' worth of work so you only need to come to school once a fortnight to collect.

# Studyladder

All children in school have been sent login details for a website called 'Studyladder.' Every week, children will be set online tasks for them to complete in Maths, English and other curriculum areas. These tasks can be completed independently by children (the computer even reads the questions and texts to them!) and are marked immediately by the programme once completed.

Once the tasks set by school have been completed, parents are able to access other tasks on Studyladder for their child to complete if they wish to do so (tasks are unlimited during the school day but only 3 can be completed outside of these hours).

#### **APPs and Online Programmes**

As a school, we have provided login details and access to a number of online resources for your child (links can be found on the home learning page on our website). The main ones are TT Rockstars, Numbots and Espresso.

You will also find things such as 'Story Time' sections where different members of staff have been filmed reading stories for the children. Please check out everything that is available to you.

If you have any queries or problems accessing aby of the learning, please contact your child's teacher at the email address provided to you:

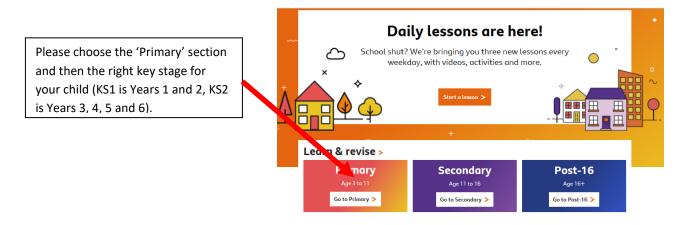
Nursery and Reception: eyfs@uplandsmanor.sandwell.sch.uk

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## **National Learning Resources**

Two national resources are available to support all children in continuing their education at home. I have looked at both and can highly recommend them to you – please check them out and use some of the wonderful activities available on them:

# BBC Bitesize - www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize

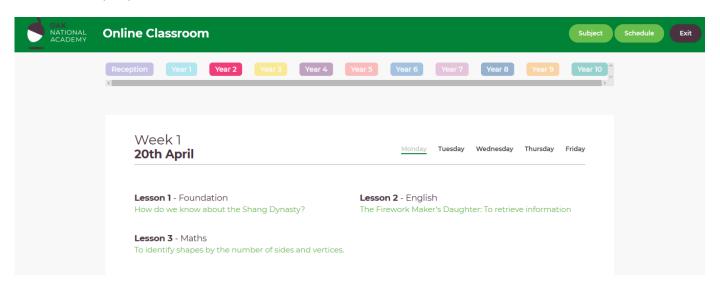


There are lots and lots of lessons and activities available for your child to access every day. Here is an overview of the content just for KS1:



#### Oak National Academy - www.thenational.academy

This 'virtual school' website has been setup by teachers across the country to provide recorded lessons and high-quality resources for children to access. Once on the website, choose 'Online Classroom' and then 'Schedule.' Once you have done this then you will be able to click on your child's year group and access three lessons every day:



Lessons build upon each other as part of sequences of learning and are delivered by real teachers who have recorded themselves teaching live lessons. All you need to take part is paper and a pen or pencil.

As the majority of children will not be returning to school before the summer holiday, it is important that the children do as much learning as possible until school returns so that they do not fall too far behind.

## **Mrs Habberley**

Yesterday was the funeral of one of our retired members of staff, Elizabeth Habberley. She dedicated almost 17 years of her life working at Uplands Manor as a lunchtime supervisor. It was wonderful to see so many people lining Addenbrooke Road to give her a good send off – staff, parents and her family. She will be very much missed and our thoughts and best wishes are with her family at this difficult time.

## **Bereavement Support for Young People**

Sandwell have produced some really good information about support available to any children and young people who have suffered a bereavement. It is attached for your information.

If you require any further support for your child at this time, please get in touch with us so that we can see how our pastoral team are able to help.

## **Plans for Reopening School**

Information about plans for the rest of this term will be emailed to all parents at the start of next week. Please read the letter and any extra information sent to you very carefully.

Yours faithfully

Mr A Dickinson Head Teacher