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Dear Parent/Carer

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Due to current government guidance schools will be closing until further notice.

As an ongoing commitment to your children/s education we have provided a range of learning activities below that you can engage with within the home setting.

Please visit our school website <https://nsnacademy.com/> and Facebook page for ongoing updates and support.

We have provided your child with a book in which we would like all learning activities to be completed.

1) **Be a Word Wizard** - Introduce a new word to your child everyday e.g. gigantic, minute, furious, pleasant, investigate, question etc. Can they orally create simple sentences using these words? Can they tell you what these words mean?

2) Maths:

- Visit Topmarks - select a category within your child's age range <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting>
- Visit Oxford Owl <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/kids-activities/fun-maths-games-and-activities/>
- Go on a number hunt around the house. Make a list of what you have found.
- Go on a shape hunt around the house. Make a list of what you have found.

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3) Reading:

- Remember to *Read, read, read and read* (Don't forget to record this in your child's reading log)
- Download the 'Teach your Monster to read' app on your computer/laptop for free to support with phonics and word reading.
<https://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/accounts/sign-up>
- Visit Oxford Owl <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/kids-activities>
- Visit www.phonicsplay.co.uk for learning activities and games.

4) General:

- Practise recognising and writing your own name. Can you extend to write your surname. Don't forget only a capital letter at the beginning.
- Encourage your child to use a pencil correctly by drawing pictures, making marks, letter formation, and writing words and sentences.
- Sing lots of nursery rhymes, number songs, alphabet song etc.
- Look at CBeebies website, it has a wide variety of activities and learning opportunities
- We will be uploading home learning challenges onto each class learning page regularly.

During this difficult time we would love to see all your home learning experiences so don't forget to share them on Tapestry.

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Please also see guidance below:

How you can help

The greatest support that you can offer is by being vigilant and that you are familiar with the latest government guidance on travel restrictions by following the below link.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public>

The Government guidance for education setting contains some practical guidance on preventing spread, which we would like to share with all parents / guardians.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

Preventing spread of infection

There is currently no vaccine to prevent COVID-19. The best way to prevent infection is to avoid being exposed to the virus.

There are general principles anyone can follow to help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses, including:

- washing your hands often - with soap and water, or use alcohol sanitiser if handwashing facilities are not available. This is particularly important after taking public transport*
- covering your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throwing the tissue in a bin. See [Catch it, Bin it, Kill it](#)*
- people who feel unwell should stay at home and should not attend work or any education or childcare setting*
- use an alcohol-based hand sanitiser that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available*

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- *avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands*
- *avoid close contact with people who are unwell*
- *clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces*
- *if you are worried about your symptoms or those of a child or colleague, please call NHS 111. Do not go directly to your GP or other healthcare environment*

We appreciate your support.

Mr I.W.Owens

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