

Cheswardine Primary and Nursery School

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Reach for the Stars

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Dear Parents

School Closure Advice for Working at Home

I am really sad that the school will close today for the foreseeable future for most of our children. As a staff we wish you all well at this dreadful time and would just like to reassure you that we will do all we can to provide resources for working with your child from home over the next few weeks.

When your child/ren is at home please be aware that presently it may well be they become anxious about the situation and worried about you, their extended family and their friends. When considering what work you will cover please bear this in mind and take time out to talk as a family, play games together and reassure one another. Time in the garden or just chilling out will be as important in these scary times as getting the set work completed and logging onto the websites to complete the 'to do' lists teachers may have set. Also please be wary about too much screen time, children often go on screens to play games and we may be asking them to work online too, it would be better to stop and read, write a poem or play a game than constantly sit in front of a screen. We have sent the children home with exercise books, booklets, ideas and projects to accommodate this.

As a minimum requirement I have asked every teacher to post a daily Maths, Literacy and other Curriculum activity on their class web page on our website. The children also have Purple Mash log ins with which they can log on to an online portal and connect with their teacher, please note they will need to log on as a member of Hinstock School at this time. Classdojo messenger can also be used to send information and questions securely to their teacher. The children will have been reminded of these and they will be sent home with them.

Teaching staff will be coming into school and supporting each other with their online resources to start with so there may well be some good 'techy' developments over the course of next week.

As we start this new routine we may experience unknown difficulties. Any questions about the work or difficulties you may be having can be made through the admin email (at the top of this letter) which will be constantly manned and responded to throughout any closure. For the next week at least staff will be at Hinstock so phoning us for advice is always another option on 01952 550220.

Each teacher has been asked to provide a covering letter and explanation of the work done, this may be found with the work being sent home or online on the class webpage. To access the website go to:

www.cheswardineschool.org.uk - parent news – classes

Wishing you and all your family all the best

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Mrs Rachael Williams (Executive Headteacher)



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