

St. Lawrence CE Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Friday 24th April 2020

Firstly, I hope that you and your families are well and all of our pupils are keeping safe. We are all missing teaching your children immensely and longing to part of out St. Lawrence community again but the use of SeeSaw is certainly helping us feel connected. I do hope that you all managed to have a lovely Easter time, spending time together and creating some memorable moments. What has been very uplifting during these very strange and unprecedented times has been the glorious sunshine and the ability to get out in the garden. I know that for me that has been a true blessing and certainly helped boost all our spirits!

This week there have been a number of new online learning platforms that have been introduced to help support with home learning. I have attached the list of useful sites to visit and added the ones that have become available that I have been signposted to. In conjunction with teachers across the country, the government has launched a new online learning platform which can be accessed at *https://www.thenational.academy/online-classroom/schedule*. You can select your child's year group and see if they can complete the three daily lessons which acts as an additional resource to the home learning being sent home via SeeSaw from your child's class teacher. BBC bitesize daily lessons are also available and I would highly recommend them as a resource to supplement what is already being sent home, lessons can be found at *https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons*. It may be as teachers become more familiar with these resources and materials, that they start to direct your child to online lessons through the Oak Academy website or BBC Bitesize daily lessons.

Teachers have been working really hard to send home work that would have been taught during the Summer term at school so that there is planning for progression and coverage for the year. With the overwhelming amount of resources available online it may be quite easy to dip in and out of these and choose subjects and activities that would really interest your child. I would advise that you use the additional resources to supplement what is being sent home but please wherever possible engage with the work on SeeSaw set by your child's class teacher. This means that on return to school there will be fewer gaps in learning and children will have covered the objectives outlined in their year group. May I also reiterate please do what is right for you and your child at this time, I know as a parent, each day brings with it a different challenge. Some days reading and following that much loved recipe, measuring all the ingredients and tasting that cake is the best learning experience of all!



Some lovely photos sent in showing the activities the children have been doing during lockdown. If you would like to send any photos in please send via email to a3091@telford.gov.uk we love to see them.



