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Dear Parents

We are well aware that this is an extraordinary time for us all. It is with great sadness that we temporarily close the doors today for the majority of our pupils. We all understand the reasons why we have to minimise contact over this next crucial period but it is hard to say farewell to pupils and families, not knowing when we may be able to join together again.

Below is some guidance and reminders for parents:

- Key workers should have received a letter. If you believe you are a key worker and have not received a letter, please contact Mrs Stocker.
- Please contact school via e-mail, rather than by phone. The answer phone will be checked but e-mails can be accessed by staff from home.
- Apply the social distancing guidance and avoid large gatherings while away from school
- The school website (class pages) will be updated with learning tasks every Monday at 12.00
- If bookshops and libraries are closed, download books onto kindles and I pads. We will be planning for lots of reading rewards when we return

Try some of the Bear Grylls suggestions:

<https://news.sky.com/story/coronavirus-bear-grylls-unveils-100-activities-so-kids-can-enjoy-the-great-indoors-11960651>

National Trust gardens are open with no admission charge for the next few weeks.

Some children are anxious about being away from school for an extended period. Days at home will need some structure and some routine. A suggested timetable is attached.

Rest assured, the minute we are cleared to open, we will do and will look forward to seeing everyone again. Our thoughts and prayers are with your families over the coming few weeks.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Jen Harvey



Approximate Time	Activity	Suggestions/Opportunities
8-9	Good morning!	Breakfast, making beds, dressing, helping with chores. Why not: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • lay the table/make breakfast/wash up • learn to make a decent cup of tea or coffee • choose a topic to talk about over breakfast
9-10	Exercise hour (depending on weather)	Do some exercise – go for a walk or a jog Follow a you tube fitness clip or a yoga programme Set up an indoor exercise course
10-11	Learning time (no devices)	Complete an activity from your home learning grid or from one of the workbooks.
11-12	Creative time	Lego, building, construction, Art, drawing, painting, collage, water play, craft, music, jigsaws, sudoku Learn to make some tasty dishes for the family to eat
12-1	Lunch and chores	Lay the table, prepare the lunch, clear the table wipe down the surfaces Listen to a podcast
1.-2	Quiet time	Reading, puzzles, drawing, writing letters to neighbours or elderly relatives
2-3	Academic time (devices allowed)	Complete an activity from your home learning grid or from one of the workbooks Check the school website – updated on Mondays by 12 noon Touch typing – Dance Mat or Doorway on line – links on website
3-4	Afternoon fresh air	Exercise time Ride your bike or scooter Go on a nature ramble, identify some plants, insects or birds Get into photography – find something for the seasons display
4-5	Free time/ Diary writing	Complete a diary entry for the day – record events Reading and spelling games Normal after school routines
5-6	Dinner	Lay the table, help prepare the meal, clear the table, wash up, put away dishes, wipe down surfaces
6-7/8	Free time!	Play a family game Preparation for bed
7/8-9	Bedtime and reading time	reading encouraged Don't forget to write it in your reading record book – it count towards your reads!

Other activities

'Seasons' – paintings, photographs, poems for our Seasons display when we return

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