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Good morning everyone,

I hope everyone is staying safe.

I promised that I would let everyone know what the staff here have done for children's distant learning while we are closed.

Most importantly, before I go on, the activities that teachers are posting to the website homework links are NOT compulsory. They are designed to keep the children's minds active. Family time is very important, particularly now in these very strange and challenging times we find ourselves in. I would not want distant learning activities to cause unnecessary conflict in your houses.

Every class will have the following activities available via the school website's class page homework link:

- A daily literacy and numeracy activity
- A fortnightly topic-based activity
- A weekly RE activity (KS2)
- A weekly Welsh activity (KS2)
- A weekly PE activity

The activities can be completed on paper or electronically. If the children share anything with teachers, they will respond at some point during the week. Please be patient with this as staff are also providing childcare in school and until we know what numbers we will be dealing with on Wednesday their workload remains unknown and I need to keep them safe too.

As far as the literacy and numeracy activities go, these will be a recap and consolidation of work they have previously carried out.

I have created a "Mr Rayer" class folder on the website where I will post my Monday assemblies and other bits and pieces for the children as and when. Today's assembly is already available. I have encouraged the children (with your permission and help if needed) to post any of the work they are particularly proud of onto Twitter. I intend to incorporate responses into a weekly "celebration" on-line assembly for them.

**PLEASE NOTE - be mindful of social media safety with the posting of pictures of your children and their full names on Twitter or any other SM platform.**

We are in uncharted times. None of us have experienced this. The staff here have been absolutely fantastic and have been working hard in preparing to keep the continuity of learning going. Please be patient over the coming weeks. We will review



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things at the end of this first fortnight, update you with how it has gone and restart distant learning activities again on 20<sup>th</sup> April.

**A reminder too please, that those considering applying for a child care place, please apply if you meet the criteria and it is the last resort and you have no other option.**

Please stay safe everyone and I will be in touch again soon.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Rayer'.

**Steve Rayer  
Headteacher**

