

Hunters Hall Primary School Stay at home Snippets

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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am sure many of you, like me, are very disappointed to be starting the new year with reduced numbers of pupils in school and the majority of you back to juggling family life, work and home-schooling. We are all adjusting to this lockdown and I am confident that we will soon be into a new, successful routine.

All year groups are planning at least three hours of daily lessons, so your child should be accessing enough work to help them learn and progress. If you have any problems accessing the work, please email the teaching team of your child's year group set out in the section labelled Communication, below left.

We continue to develop our remote learning offer, but are mindful that a large minority of you cannot access live learning. We are working on this and are increasing the number of lessons teachers are recording so all children can play them at a time that is convenient. Every child working from home will receive some form of direct communication each week to ensure they are keeping well and able to complete the work set. Should you require paper copies of the work, please email your child's year group and request a copy.

If you have difficulty with remote learning due to not having enough mobile data, we can help extend this for you, if you email us the following information: The name of the person who has the account; your telephone number; the name of your mobile data provider.

Should you need support of any kind, please email us or phone the office and we will get back to you as soon as we possibly can, offering whatever support we have available.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we ensure that all our children continue to learn and remain healthy throughout this lockdown.

Best wishes and stay safe,

Selina Frazer, Headteacher.

Cummunication

We continue to use our Parenthub and/or Twitter feed

https://twitter.com/Huntershallps to communicate messages during the time that the school is closed to most pupils in order to provide childcare to critical workers' children. Home Learning activities, which are updated regularly, can be located here:

http://www.huntershallprimary.org.uk/home-learning/489.html

Remember that each year group has an email address:

Reception@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk
Yone@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk
Ytwo@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk
Ythree@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk
Yfour@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk
Yfive@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk
Ysix@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk

You can send questions or work to the relevant year group. (Responses will be given during working hours Monday to Friday)

Expectations during any live contact

Each year group is going to offer an opportunity to partake in either a daily or weekly live Microsoft Teams session. As a school we have high expectations of behaviour and conduct.

A parent or carer from the household must be on-site for the duration of each session. They do not have to remain in the same room but can do so if they wish.

The chat function within Microsoft Teams will be disabled. The children must be on mute but will be able to speak on Teams when asked to unmute by the teacher. Usual expectations of behaviour will be in place. Language must always be appropriate, including any family members in the background

All participants must wear suitable clothing (i.e. Clothing appropriate for a non-uniform day or school uniform), as should anyone else in the household.

Any devices used to access HH Online Choir should be in appropriate communal areas of the home, for example not in bedrooms; devices should remain in one place for the session, to minimise distractions for both your child and other participants

Each session will be recorded: this is for safeguarding reasons. No attendees will be able to record the session.

Screen shots and photographs of the screen during the session must not be taken. No permission is given for any part of any session to be documented in any way, and no permission is given for any part of any session to be shared on social media platforms of any kind. Participants will not have the option to record the session from within Microsoft Teams.

You must ensure your child's screen name is their first name in full, and their surname initial - e.g. Joe Smith = Joe S.

Anyone not adhering to the usual school behaviour policy will be warned, and possibly removed from the session. In addition, anyone not adhering to the above procedures and expectations will be removed from the session.

Parent Hub

We would like all parents/carers to join us on Parent Hub.



Parent Hub is a FREE app that helps keep you up to date with what's going on at school. You'll receive messages, pictures, documents and newsletters, all in one handy place.

- 1. Download the Parent Hub app from your app store (iPhone or Android).
- 2. Create yourself an account.
- 3. Choose "Add a School" and enter:

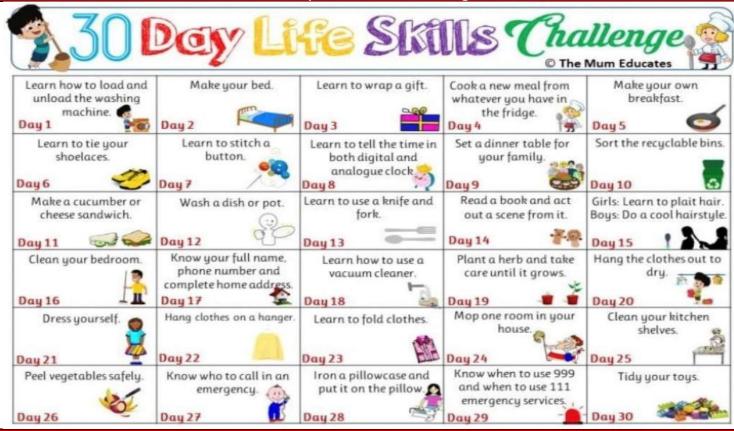
@HuntersHallPS

LAST REMINDER ~ Reception School Place

If you have a child in the Nursery it is that time of year when you need to apply for their Reception place. Please remember to do this before **15**th **January 2021**.



30 Day Life Skills Challenge



Music at home



Click the image to watch a video clip of "Romance De Amor" played by one of our pupils in 4R.

Don't forget that you can access our Music scheme Charanga using your log-in details that have been provided by Mrs Bright or your class teacher.

https://charanga.com/

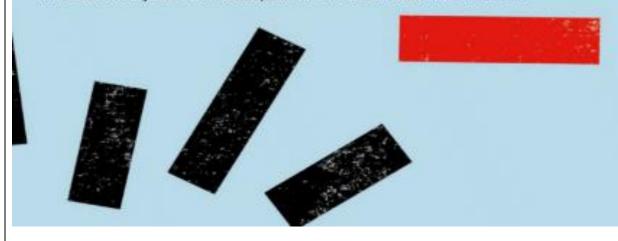






Kindness activity pack

Welcome to your kindness pack from the British Red Cross.



(Click the image to download the kindness pack.)

The pack encourages children to do small acts of kindness each day to help their community, family and themselves. Kindness can help us to cope with challenges and change.

The free pack includes:

A kindness calendar: help children think about the importance of kindness and how small acts of kindness can make a big difference. Use the blank postcard to encourage children to create a message of kindness for someone they know.

Creative activities: colouring is a great way to be kind to yourself and helps children to focus and relax.

Coping strategies: use activities like breathing with colour and 'What is wellbeing?' to think of ways children and young people can be kind to themselves.

An emotion tracker to help keep track of emotions and feelings as we all go through so much change and stress. Activities to help us stay connected with other. Children will think about and understand other people's feelings and explore how change can affect us.

The final activity encourages children to learn a new skill, first aid. Use the activities to learn some simple and easy to first aid and reflect on how learning new skills can make you feel.





STAY AT HOME

THE NEW VARIANT OF CORONAVIRUS IS SPREADING FAST. WE ALL NEED TO PLAY OUR PART TO STOP THE SPREAD.

LEAVING HOME

You must not leave, or be outside of your home or garden, except for a very limited set of exemptions e.g. to shop for basic necessities, exercise, go to work if you cannot do so from home, or to escape risk of harm.

MEETING OTHERS

You cannot leave your home to meet socially with anyone, except with your household or support bubble (if eligible to form one). Stay 2 metres apart from anyone not in your household or support bubble.

EXERCISE

You may exercise on your own, with your household or support bubble, or with one person from another household (when on your own). Stay 2 metres apart from anyone not in your household or support bubble.

BARS, PUBS AND RESTAURANTS

Hospitality closed aside from sales by takeaway (until 11pm), click-and-collect, drive-through or delivery. Alcohol cannot be purchased through takeaway or click-and-collect from hospitality venues.

► RETAIL

Essential shops can open. Non-essential retail must close and can only run click-and-collect and delivery.

WORK AND BUSINESS

Everyone must work from home unless they are unable to do so.

EDUCATION

Early years settings open. Primary and secondary schools and colleges move to remote provision except for vulnerable children and children of critical workers. Most university students to move to remote learning.

LEISURE AND SPORTING FACILITIES

Closed, with limited exceptions.

ACCOMMODATION

Closed, with limited exceptions.

PERSONAL CARE

Closed.

ENTERTAINMENT

Closed.

OVERNIGHT STAYS

You must not stay overnight away from home. Limited exceptions apply e.g. to stay with your support bubble.

WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS

Funerals of up to 30 people permitted. Weddings up to 6 people permitted in exceptional circumstances. Wakes and other linked ceremonial events of up to 6 permitted.

PLACES OF WORSHIP

Places of worship can remain open and communal worship is permitted, but you must not mix with those outside your household or support bubble.

► TRAVELLING

You must stay at home. If you do leave home for a very limited set of exemptions, you should stay local in the village, town, or part of the city where you live where possible. Do not travel abroad unless an exemption applies.

CLINICALLY EXTREMELY VULNERABLE

Shielding reintroduced across England. You should not travel to work, school, college or university and should limit the time you spend outside the home. You should only go out for medical appointments, exercise or if it is essential.

CARE HOME VISITS

Visits can take place with arrangements such as substantial screens, visiting pods, or behind windows. Close-contact indoor visits are not allowed. No visits will be permitted in the event of an outbreak but end of life visits are permitted in all circumstances.

STAY HOME > PROTECT THE NHS > SAVE LIVES

For more information go to: **gov.uk/coronavirus**