



Margaret McMillan Primary School

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Newsletter 1

Dear Parents and carers,

Welcome to the new areas of our website; Margaret McMillan at Home and Information for Parents.

We have an information for parents section regarding the local help and advice available during this time which may be helpful.

In the area called **Margaret McMillan at Home** We have added sections for activities, tasks and work for your child. We are mindful that you may not have access to resources and printers. Our teachers are also submitting stories and messages via this area too.

We have added some weekly tasks under each year group which will be updated regularly.

Please try not to get too stressed about whether you have to “home school” your child or not. This is not home-schooling, this is not teaching. This is a world- wide emergency situation which we have never seen before. We are all in new territory here and we will need to find a way to make it work. How that looks and what is successful will be different in every house and family and will change day by day. The most important thing to remember is that you are keeping your family safe and we are all doing our best in the most challenging of situations.

Teachers will post links, activities and work for those that want it, with the aim of helping you. Don't feel that you have to fill your day with school work and don't feel that you have to do it all. Do as much or as little as you feel your children need and you can manage. Spend time playing with them and reassuring them. If you are working from home, direct them to activities that they can do on their own. Involve them in home jobs – cooking, gardening etc. Try to do some maths and reading every day, and a bit of writing most days. Make sure you do some physical exercise every day – this is good for your physical and mental health. We sent packs home the last week in school. If you haven't collected yours for whatever reason – ring us and we will see what we can do.

Check this website and WEDUC regularly for updates to help. There is someone in school manning the phones during school hours. Call us if you are having problems and we will try to help.

Each day will be different. Be kind to yourself and your family.

Kind regards,

Lorraine Martin and the Margaret McMillan Team

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