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Dear parents,

A very brief briefing today! We have come to the end of the most unusual and unexpected week in my lifetime. We are all adapting to new and surreal circumstances, and that is true for us in school. I wish all of our families good health and attach some advice that has arrived from the local authority which seems ideal to share with you. It may prove invaluable as you begin to plan for the weeks ahead. Please follow all the general guidance about looking after yourselves and try to enjoy the good weather in a safe but responsible way.

I would once again like to thank parents for all the support and kind words that we continue to receive. The messages are really helping to keep us upbeat and positive in very challenging circumstances.

DB Primary

I am pleased to report that engagement with DB Primary is going really well, and in the weeks to come, we will all get more accustomed to this new way of working.

Early Years

Here is a list of links for parents of our youngest children. We have not had the opportunity to test these links, but they have been sent by the local authority so should represent valuable learning opportunities.

Hungry Little Minds – Activities for 0-5 Year Olds

<https://hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk/>

Mr Throne Does Phonics – Letters and Sounds

<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=mr%20thorne's%20phonics&q=AS&form=QBVR&sp=1&q=mr%20thorne's%20phonics&sc=5-19&cvid=963E8BFE33CB4FD2B8E49FBF9D96E915>



CBeebies Little Learners Numeracy

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/topics/numeracy?page=2>

CBeebies Little Learners Literacy

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/topics/literacy?page=2>

CBeebies Little Learners Art

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/topics/art>

Apps for Home iPads – Via the App Store

ABC Pocket Phonics

Numberjacks addition up to 10

Story Creator

Bee – Bot

Hairy Letters

Ladybird: I'm Ready for Phonics with Captain Comet

Prayer

Another lovely CAFOD prayer for you to share as a family or for private reflection.

Your loving care

Lord Jesus,

*when you walked with us on earth
you spread your healing power.*

We place in your loving care

all who are affected by Coronavirus.

Keep us strong in faith, hope and love.

Bring relief to our sick,

console our bereaved,

protect those who care for us.

We lift our prayer to you Lord,

and trust in your infinite mercy,

as we wait for the daybreak.

Amen



Yours Sincerely,

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