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Friendship

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now into week two of 'Home Learning'. We know that you are all doing your bit to stay at home when you can and using the Key Worker provision only when necessary – thank you.

Although we started planning this online provision before the summer holiday in case any of the bubbles closed, good luck and a rigorous cleaning / hand washing routine meant that we didn't have to close a single bubble between September and December!

As a result, implementing our plans across the whole federation in one fell swoop has been quite the learning curve for everyone. I would like to extend my thanks to the entire staff team who are working relentlessly to make the necessary tweaks to ensure our families at home are fully supported.

I would also like to thank you all for your patience, understanding and of course the positive praise that has been received - it is so important for the staff during this time and is a morale boost. Everything we do is to ensure that our children and families have the best provision, and that our whole community feels connected to school rather than isolated.

We are following the law implemented by Gavin Williamson re: Home Learning but also understand that it may feel very overwhelming for some families. The structure we have in place is to support those of you who are working so that the children can work independently, and where possible be led by their class teacher online. Children can access Teams on their Xbox / PlayStation device too. Search google for more information about how to install Teams on these devices.

If you feel that you would like to follow your own structure on some days instead to allow you to work away from the computer or you feel that you can't make it to registration, that's fine. BBC are hosting daily programmes for the children to watch via BBC iPlayer, on any device, and on TV via the Red Button. These are 20-minute TV shows, each designed to target a specific age group.

Oak Academy continue to provide lessons delivered by teachers online:
<https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-key-stage>

If possible, we would like to see the children online during the week, even if it is for registration or story time.

Keep communicating with the Class Teacher if there's anything you need and we will do our very best to support you while you are at home.

With very best wishes,

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