



LOCKDOWN 3- NEWSLETTER 3

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Dear Parents,

I saw this poem this week and wanted to share its very important message with you all:

Let the kids fidget,
Let them day dream,
Let them eat their favourite cereal in their bed.
Let the kids mess around,
Let them cry and vent.
Let them get their too big emotions out of their little bodies, even if it looks like naughtiness.
Let the little ones laugh,
Let them chat to their friends online sometimes, when they should be doing maths.
Let them talk about their favourite things,
They don't know how to talk about the way they feel inside, so if they are talking to you at all, this is good.
Tolerate their many crazy questions when you can. It shows them you are listening and nothing makes them feel more loved.
They are struggling.
They don't understand any of this.
Let the kids fidget my friend,
You cannot get through this lockdown, without something being lost,
but don't let that something be their self-esteem.
Let it be the school work,
that can be easily recovered.
The former cannot.

Donna Ashworth

'History will remember when the world stopped:
poems from a pandemic'

https://www.amazon.co.uk/dp/B08BDWY9CP/ref=cm_sw_r_cp_api_fabc_f3X.FbDJJ3B78?_encoding=UTF8&psc=1



We **can NOT** Have
The Same **expectations** of
ourselves as we would
IN a **Normal Week**
Because These are
NOT Normal weeks; Be
patient WITH yourself.

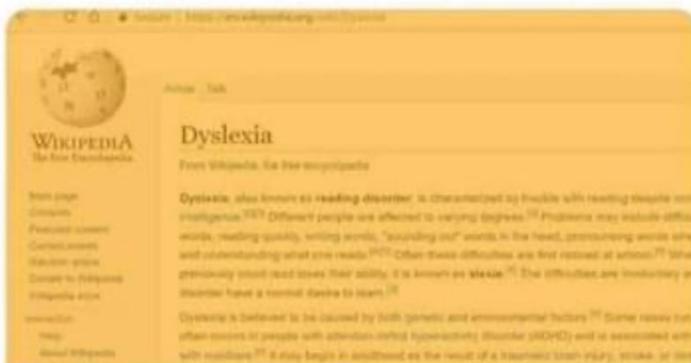
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Remote Education Provision: Information for parents

In developing their remote education, the DFE expect schools to: 'publish information for pupils, parents and carers about their remote education provision on their website by 25 January 2021.'

Our [Remote Education Provision](#) is now available on our school website.

★ If a student requires a coloured overlay for remote learning and a screen, they can run or install the following for free. It changes the colour of the whole screen. aurelitec.com/colorveil/wind... #onlinelearning #Dyslexia #edutwitter @sencochat



ColorVeil - Screen color filter and dimmer
aurelitec.com

Keeping active during lockdown

Please see the attached PDF of East Devon School Games PE and Physical Activity at home-KS1 & 2 weekly guide to ideas for week beg. 25th January 2021.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Activity idea 1 (Games & ABC Superheroes)	ABC Superheroes - #1 and #2 - KS1	ABC Superheroes - #3 and #4 - KS1	ABC Superheroes - #5 and #6 - KS1	ABC Superheroes - #7 and #8 - KS1	ABC Superheroes - #9 and #10 - KS1
Activity idea 2	Joe Wicks - Daily workout, or The Daily Mile at home	The Daily Mile at home	Joe Wicks - Daily workout, or The Daily Mile at home	The Daily Mile at home	Joe Wicks - Daily workout, or The Daily Mile at home
Activity idea 3 (Well-being)	ABC Super Heroes - #11 and #12 - KS1	ABC Super Heroes - #13 and #14 - KS1	ABC Super Heroes - #15 and #16 - KS1	ABC Super Heroes - #17 and #18 - KS1	ABC Super Heroes - #19 and #20 - KS1
Activity idea 4 (Physical skills)	Avoid the defences - KS1 & KS2	Climb the ladder - KS1 & KS2	This is PE - Live to Five	This is PE - Reaction Wall	Inside Out
Activity idea 5 (Personal & Family Challenges)	Y11 After School Sports Club - Live Sam	Y12 After School Sports Club - Live Sam	Y13 After School Sports Club - Live Sam	Y14 After School Sports Club - Live Sam	Y15 After School Sports Club - Live Sam

DO YOU NEED SCHOOL WORK PRINTED?



We're here to help if you need school work printing and have no access to a printer whilst we all 'Stay at Home'.

We would love to help!
Email: honiton@beagroup.co.uk
Call: 01404 510555

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WE ARE NOT ALL IN THE SAME BOAT
BUT WE ARE ALL IN THE SAME STORM



SUPPORT EACHOTHER
#DONTJUDGE #BEKIND

Thank you to the PTFA

The PTFA have very kindly paid for workmen to install a gravel path for the top of the school steps to the outdoor classroom. This now means our outdoor classroom can be accessed easily by classes even when the field is wet or muddy. I'm sure you will agree how great it looks.



Child mental health and well-being-

10 top tips for parents

Please see the free resource designed to offer advice on how parents can safeguard their child/ren's mental health and promote their wellbeing. It is available as a document and short video presentation.

The link to both resources is here: <https://ssscpd.co.uk/education/parentsandguardians/child-mental-health-10-tips-for-parents/-/pj==>

Library click and collect service

Starting from Monday 18th January Lifeline Library Services are offered by appointment only and customers will be able to get in touch via e-mail/phone to book.

e-mail ottery.library@librariesunlimited.org.uk

Tel: 01404 813838

We are open for Choose and Collect

1



Call or email your local library.

2



Our staff will select your books, DVDs, CDs or audiobooks.

3



Collect your books from your local library.

Libraries Unlimited

Devon Libraries

Torbay Libraries

PTFA news

PTFA Logo

Could your child design us a logo? We have just launched a competition for a PTFA logo to be created, which shall be used on any official correspondence and social media. Not only will the winning child see their artwork in use, they will receive a £10 Amazon voucher, to be spent on something exciting such as books, or art supplies. Judging is due to be undertaken by an external judging panel, during the February half term. See attached poster for further details.

Village Quiz

Coming shortly!...Look no further for a **FREE** quiz to do whilst out on walks round West Hill Village. Not only is it free to have fun, if you send your question answers to the PTFA email address (PTFAWH@west-hill-primary-school.devon.sch.uk) you will have a chance to win a £30 Amazon voucher!

Amazon Smile

Please see attached poster for details on how to sign up to Amazon Smile (this only needs to be actioned once, and then sign in via Amazon Smile rather than the normal site). A % of all sales made on Amazon Smile go towards our PTFA funds if you have us selected as a charity, ideal if you are ordering lots of items during this lockdown!!

Bags2School

Obviously, due to the current lockdown a collection was unable to happen on Thursday 5th January, but please keep hold of your bags and donations as we shall re-arrange this as soon as possible once current restrictions are lifted.

Recent fundraising

Thank you to everyone that has been involved in recent fundraising amounts for the PTFA. We had a busy first term on 2020/2021 and wanted to share these with you:

Christmas trail - raised **£72.00**

Child's Art (Christmas cards etc.) - **£331.05**

Rocketfund - a wonderful **£3,581** was raised through this online project. We have also been successful in applying for **£695** from a Devon County Council grant, as this project is an investment in IT equipment. Rocketfund rewards are in the process of being actioned now that payments have successfully been made to the website. The Chromebooks are already in use at school and are proving beneficial to the key worker students.

Field path - Our local Parish Council kindly granted us **£1k** to put towards an outdoor field path which has been completed this week. This provides access from the field steps to the outdoor classroom, without having to venture onto the muddy school field!

The mufti day on Friday 18th December raised the following figures for individual classes:

Reception - £51.00	Class 3 - £96.10
Class 1 - £92.09	Class 4 - £49.41
Class 2 - £52.95	Class 5 - £35.35
	Class 6 - £43.00

Individual classes are to agree (post-lockdown) on whether they will spend this money or save towards an end of year treat.

February Mufti Day

Please note that due to the current lockdown, the class mufti day scheduled for Friday 12th February has been cancelled.

Message from Mrs Boulton

I cannot believe this is the end of week 3 (which means that we are halfway to half term week!)

This week we have seen our largest amount of keyworkers/vulnerable pupils in school (double the amount on the first day back.) Parents whose children are at home may feel that children in school are getting a better 'offer'.

Please be reassured that pupils in school are working on the same Google Classroom activities as children working remotely at home. This means that all pupils are receiving the same provision whether at school or at home.

Please do keep in touch with us-we have received some lovely e-mails and love hearing from you all.

Have a lovely weekend.

Take care, stay safe and keep smiling!

Mrs Boulton

