



Canon Sharples

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Dear Parents/Carers

I am sure that you will all be aware that the Government announced yesterday that all schools Nationally will be closing with effect from the end of the day on Friday 20th March 2020, until further notice. Closure will apply to all children, except those of 'key workers' and children with certain needs. At the time of writing this letter, we are still waiting for a clear definition of 'key workers' from the Cabinet Office. Further information on this will follow. If you think that you may be in this group and will require 'child care' during the school closure, please email enquiries@canonsharples.wigan.sch.uk as soon as possible, stating why you believe that you qualify.

If your child has 'Free School Meal eligibility' (not universal Reception or Key Stage 1 entitlement), please email enquiries@canonsharples.wigan.sch.uk if your child will require a packed lunch during the school closure. This will need to be collected from school. Further details on this will follow.

To ensure that our children continue to receive a high-quality education during a school closure, we have put a plan in place for home learning. After looking at a wide range of learning platforms, we have made the decision to use 'Purple Mash' as our online home learning platform. This provides a child-friendly communication function called '2email', which gives teachers the ability to communicate with children in their class and opportunity for children to respond. Purple Mash offers a wide range of online learning activities and resources and the opportunity for teachers to upload learning resources to the '2Dos' area and provide feedback

Children will also bring home a 'work pack' on Friday 20th March, which will include a squared book for Maths and a line book for other forms of work. This pack will also include other age-appropriate, paper-based learning activities.

Please find a table of resources that the children are familiar with on the reverse of this letter. Reminder of personal log on details will follow in home learning packs, which will come home tomorrow. If your child is unable to log on, please email enquiries@canonsharples.wigan.sch.uk who will forward it to the technical support team who will try to resolve this for you.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Woodcock
Headteacher



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Encourage your child to read their chosen book at home and complete the linked online MyBookBlog activities. All children in Key Stage 2 have a MyBookBlog account.



Reading Plus

All Year Five and Six have a login for Reading Plus. We would suggest children log on as they would normally and complete activities for at least 20 minutes per day.



To support children in their learning of multiplication and corresponding facts, we suggest children log on to their TT Rockstars account and practise daily for 15 minutes. Children should visit <https://play.ttrockstars.com/login/50294> and enter their login details.



Full of interesting learning activities and games linked to different subjects such as English, Maths, Science, Art, Computing etc... Every child in school has a purplemash home access account. Class teachers will set children work in their '2Dos' folder and will provide feedback on completed work.



Twinkl resources are supporting schools who are forced to close to give parents and teachers the best opportunity to continue children's learning across a range of subjects. Visit <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/offer> and set up a free temporary account. Type UKTWINKLHELPS in the 'offer' box.

Home Learning Pack

We are sending home with children a Home Learning Pack with a variety of activities to complete at home.

Weekly learning schedules for the Summer term.

Topic Knowledge organiser



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