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## **Opening Minds, Shaping Futures.**

Dear Parents and Carers,

So we find ourselves in unknown territory with an uncertainty about the weeks and months ahead. However, we must all ensure we do the best we can to ensure each others' safety and heed the guidelines from the government. On behalf of the staff, I would like to say thankyou for the kind messages that we have received over the last week for the support and information we have shared with you. We shall continue to communicate with you through texts and letters.

I know many parents are anxious about keeping the children busy and trying to maintain levels of education. To support this, we have many activities on the school website. You should click on Curriculum on the home page and then select your child's year group. On here you will have access to their Knowledge Organisers, Curriculum newsletters and Homework activities, general educational websites and links with logins to more specific tasks.

Today, children in Key Stage 2 are also bringing home different text books that will support their learning in maths and English. There is a selection of books across the year group, meaning not every child has the same book. We would ask that as you complete a textbook, you either return it to school so we can pass it on to someone else, or arrange to swap between yourselves. Children have also got a paper copy of suggested tasks linked to their current learning in school which they will bring home today. If your child is not in school today, you will be able to collect these from the office during school hours.

As I have mentioned previously, the website will be updated weekly with new learning and tasks for the children to complete. This is also true for activities within Purple Mash which staff will update regularly. Teachers will be able to log in and see how the children are progressing with the different activities they have been set. The knowledge organiser outlines the key skills and knowledge we want the children to develop within each topic. This may give the children opportunities for independent study and projects. There will be regular updates with yourselves regards the children's tasks. We are already looking at how else we can support the children's learning if this situation were to continue as long as it has been suggested.

There will be somebody in the office each day should you need to contact because you have any queries or should you need reminders of logins for the children.

On a final note, I hope everyone stays safe and well, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to Westfield.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Emma Lote and the staff at Westfield.

## Nursery Funding—30 hours IMPORTANT still need to register!

We would like to remind parents of Nursery children who access the 30 hour funding to re-check their eligibility. Eligibility for the 30 hours funding must be re-confirmed every 3 months and can be completed by logging in to your Gov.uk childcare account. If this isn't completed by the deadline given the extended funding will end, which means, should school re-open, you would not have the funded place.