



Education Resources
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Dear Parent/Carer

Happy New Year to all of our families! I hope that you all had a relaxing festive holiday. Everyone in the school is devastated that we cannot come together again at the moment, but please remember that we are only a phone call or an email away should you require any help or support.

P1-P7 Home Learning

As of Monday, 11th January, we will be moving to online learning for all classes. This will be done via Google Classroom and I am delighted to say that we now have about 95% of our P1-P7 children logged on.

Next week, a pack containing different learning activities will be posted on Google Classroom for each class. This will contain a mixture of Literacy, Numeracy and interdisciplinary learning tasks for the children. If, when you look at this pack, your child is unsure about which group they are in, please either post a message on Google Classroom, or email the school office (gw14dlmpsoffice@glow.sch.uk). Once a week, one of our teachers will also post up a Health and Wellbeing activity, and an RME (Religious and Moral Education) activity for your child to do.

Staff will be on Google Classroom from 9.00am till 3.00pm each day. Like we do in school, they will complete an emotional check-in with the children first thing in the morning and they will also post up comments throughout the day. Once your child has finished a piece of work, please either upload this as a document onto Google Classroom, or take a photograph of it and upload this instead. Teachers will then give the children feedback on anything that they have posted. We will be monitoring pupil participation and engagement, so please encourage your child to post up anything that they have completed. If your child posts up anything outwith school hours, this will receive a response the following day.

If you have any problems accessing Google Classroom from home, please email Miss Lattimer (Acting Depute Head Teacher) and she will do her best to help (gw07lattimerjennifer@glow.sch.uk). We also have a few devices that we are able to loan out to families to support them with learning at home. Please either phone or email Miss Lattimer if this something that you require.

Starting on week beginning 18th January, teachers will begin posting up daily tasks for the children to do, rather than a pack for the week. This is in response to feedback that we received after the previous lockdown and will be evaluated after we have trialled this for a number of weeks.

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As you know, some teachers will be taking responsibility for the limited number of children that we have in school each day. These children will complete the work that has been posted on Google Classroom whilst they are in class. Teachers who are working in school will not post anything on Google Classroom during this time. However, another teacher will take responsibility for online learning at home and so your child will still be able to engage with a member of staff throughout the day, as well as ask any questions that they might have.

Nursery Learning Journals

During lockdown, our Early Years staff will post up learning activities on the children's Learning Journals. Please also use these as a means to share any achievements or successes throughout the day.

I hope that this helps to ease any anxieties that you may have had about home learning. If you have any questions or concerns in relation to this and/or your personal family circumstances, please do not hesitate to contact me by either phoning the school (01698 823680) or by emailing me directly (gw14dlmpsht@glow.sch.uk).

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this challenging time. I cannot wait to see all of our families when we do eventually return to school. We will continue to post regular updates on our school website, app and Twitter, so remember to look out for these.

Thanking you in advance for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely

Linda Callender
Head Teacher