

# Oaklands Junior School

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Dear Parents/Carers

By the end of today your children will have received exercise books and a guide stuck inside it with further information about home learning. If your child is currently absent we will endeavour to deliver this to them during next week. We will be asking children to try to present their work to the same standard as they would in school and we will be collecting these books in, when we return, for the teachers to review (not mark) and we will reward merits for effort and presentation.

You will need to be able to access OWL. You should now have details on how to log on and we suggest you have a go at doing this and let us know if you are having difficulties.

Some parents have raised concerns about the fact they only have one device at home; please do not worry about this. We think the on-line activities will take approximately one to two hours a day (depending on year group). In addition we have suggested other activities such as writing, reading, etc. that do not require anything more than pencil/pen and paper. If you wish, you can do other activities with your children. Please feel free to do so and, if you want to, record it in their exercise books e.g. playing a board game, cooking a meal etc.

In order to support you and your child's learning, we have set up a 'Home Learning Support' email address that you can send questions and queries to, if you are unable to understand the task. This will go live on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. One of the teaching staff will be picking up these emails between 9:00 and 15:00 each day. This is designed as a support function for families who need assistance in knowing how to complete the activities that the teachers have set. The email address is [hls@oaklands-jun.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:hls@oaklands-jun.wokingham.sch.uk) and we will endeavour to get back to you as soon as we can.

Although we have an expectation that home learning will take place on a daily basis, we are aware that some of you will be working from home, may be looking after relatives or may even be unwell yourselves. Furthermore, during these highly unusual times, we completely recognise and support the fact that your family's physical and mental well-being are the priority.

Thank you for all your support in what are exceptional circumstances. I would also like to thank you all for your patience as we endeavour to respond to an ever-changing situation. We do wish you and your families good health and look forward to seeing you soon.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. H. West  
Headteacher