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Dear Parents/ Carers,

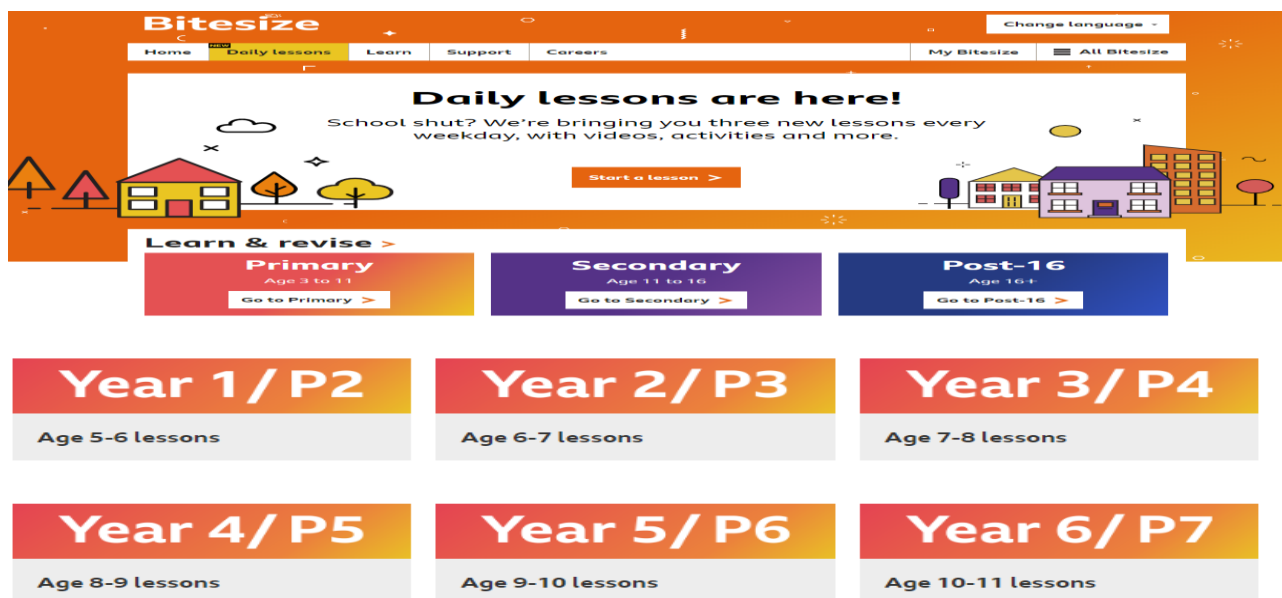
I write this letter and update trusting all our children and families are well. At this present time, School remains open for children of key working parents/ carers and for identified vulnerable children only. I am sure along with me, they send their best wishes, and I know from discussions with both children and staff, we are missing being altogether and remain optimistic for a return to school soon – only when instructed by the Government. You may have heard over the weekend, dates for when schools are reopening but as the Secretary of State, Gavin Williamson, stated yesterday (Sunday 19th April), the dates shared were fictitious and only when it is safe to do so, will schools reopen. Information I have received today, states that schools will be given adequate notice for their reopening thus giving time for me to relay the opening plans with you. The announcement can be accessed here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/gavin-williamson-speech-on-covid-19response?utm_campaign=1888018_Coronavirus%20email%20to%20members%20-%2020%20April&utm_medium=email&utm_source=National%20Association%20of%20Head%20Teachers&dm_i=3OT7,14GSY,1D84VY,3YETE,1

However, whilst we remain in this period of lockdown, I refer you to television advertisements relating to BBC Bitesize, which details specific age-appropriate lessons for your child/ren. The address is:

[https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize?xtor=ES-211\[31406_PANUK_NLT_16_ENG_LifeandBirth_RET_O35\]-20200420-\[bbcbitesize_bitesizedaily_factualllearning\]](https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize?xtor=ES-211[31406_PANUK_NLT_16_ENG_LifeandBirth_RET_O35]-20200420-[bbcbitesize_bitesizedaily_factualllearning])

The opening page looks as follows and selecting the 'Primary Ages 3 to 11' option, opens up to a series lessons pertinent to each primary aged year group:



The screenshot shows the BBC Bitesize website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Home', 'Daily lessons', 'Learn', 'Support', and 'Careers'. Below this, a banner reads 'Daily lessons are here!' with a 'Start a lesson' button. Underneath, there are three main categories: 'Primary (Age 3 to 11)', 'Secondary (Age 11 to 16)', and 'Post-16 (Age 16+)'. Each category has a 'Go to' button. Below these, there are six year group buttons: 'Year 1/P2 (Age 5-6 lessons)', 'Year 2/P3 (Age 6-7 lessons)', 'Year 3/P4 (Age 7-8 lessons)', 'Year 4/P5 (Age 8-9 lessons)', 'Year 5/P6 (Age 9-10 lessons)', and 'Year 6/P7 (Age 10-11 lessons)'.

From tiny acorns mighty oaks grow...



In addition, within the 'Primary Levels Ages 3 to 11' selection, there is an option for choosing either KS1 (Year 1 to 2) or KS2 (Years 3 to 6). Here, there is a range of subjects and lessons reflecting the breadth of the National Curriculum.

England

KS1
Year 1 to 2 >

KS2
Year 3 to 6 >



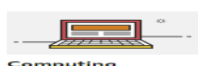
Daily lessons are here!

School shut? We're bringing you fun stuff to do and learn every weekday.

Start a lesson



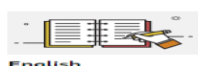
Art and Design



Computing



Design and Technology



English



French



Geography



German



History



Italian



Mandarin



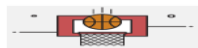
Maths



Modern Foreign Languages



Music



Physical Education



PSHE and Citizenship



Religious Education



Science



Spanish

Given the comprehensive support the BBC are offering, there is also a guide available which details everything the BBC is doing to support learning at home at this time.

Bitesize Daily across the BBC - Primary

BBC RED BUTTON	iPlayer	Bitesize Daily lessons	BBC SOUNDS	BBC Scotland	BBC ALBA	BBC cymru wales	BBC NORTHERN IRELAND
<p>Daily TV magazine programme, with teachers providing curriculum support for 5-11 year olds. Maths, English or Science every week day, plus a humanities subject, and a daily reading strand for each age group.</p> <p>09:00 - 10:00 - Bitesize Daily for Primary</p> <p>11:00 - 12:00 - Programmes for 0-6s</p> <p>12:00-15:00 - Programmes for 7-12s</p>	<p>20 minute programmes for each age group: 5-7 years, 7-9 years and 9-11 years.</p> <p>Each programme features teachers providing curriculum support for Maths, English or Science, plus a humanities subject</p> <p>Teacher Talks - a brand new series offering helpful hints to tackle core concepts in Maths and English</p> <p>Extra content from BBC Teach including their Live Lessons series.</p> <p>Search 'Bitesize' in iPlayer to find all this educational support.</p>	<p>Three UK curriculum-related lessons a day for 5-11 year olds, five days a week: English and Maths and one other core subject.</p> <p>Lessons are created in collaboration with teachers and full of premium BBC Bitesize content: video, activities and games.</p> <p>www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons</p>	<p>The Bitesize Primary Planner is a daily ten minute guide bringing you the best content from Bitesize to help plan your day</p> <p>Go to the BBC Sounds app and search Bitesize.</p>	<p>10:00 - 11:00: Daily broadcast for learners at primary school in Scotland, featuring short films, quizzes and activities that cover English, Maths, Science and Social Subjects. With Authors Live events on Fridays.</p>	<p>Sgilean cànan, matamataig agus saidheans don bhun-sgoil air BBC ALBA gach là eadar 5 agus 7, agus air iPlayer.</p> <p>Rhaglenni addysgiadol bob dydd ar gyfer cynulleidfya Cymru - un yn Gymraeg ac un yn Saesneg.</p> <p>Online daily lessons in Welsh for Foundation Phase and Key Stage 2 on BBC Bitesize.</p> <p>Gwersi ar-lein yn Gymraeg bob dydd ar gyfer Cynnod Sylfaen a Chyfnod Allweddol 2 ar BBC Bitesize.</p>	<p>The 3 O'Clock Club gets primary aged pupils involved in skills-based learning every week day.</p> <p>www.bbc.co.uk/northernireland</p>	

I hope the above information will help you along with the learning activities, which are being uploaded to our School's website by your child's classteacher.

Until School and some normality resumes, I wish you all continued health and positive wellbeing.

With all best wishes from staff and I.

Yours sincerely, Mr Arnold.

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