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Dear Parents / Carers,

Continuing in this lockdown and school closure period, Day 21, I sincerely hope all is well with you and your families.

As a staff, we thank you for your positive, supportive comments on our Twitter page in response to our school tweets. As a staff, we are very keen to keep in touch with all pupils and in addition to the work that is uploaded to the School's website, we want to keep learning alive and fun.

Each week, staff post learning activities to the website in the homepage acorn entitled " School Closure Work". In some instances, hyperlinks are included to further support and guide children's learning. We do hope you are finding the uploaded work of interest and value to your child/ren.

As from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May we would also like to offer you the opportunity to collect from School an English and mathematics learning pack with enough work for two weeks' lessons in these subjects. Appreciating the requirement to adhere to social distancing, the learning packs can be accessed via a free – standing carousel in the entrance foyer.

If questions arise from the worksheets or you would like to photograph / scan a piece of work for teachers' viewing and feedback, please email it to Ms. Simcox, our Attendance and Admin Support Officer – [esimcox@oakmeadowschool.co.uk](mailto:esimcox@oakmeadowschool.co.uk) - who will forward it to the relevant staff member. Upon collection of this Monday's pack, 4<sup>th</sup> May, the next pack will be ready on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May.

In addition, given the vast range of websites available to support home learning at this time, we have to exercise caution as whilst they advertise them as being free, there is often a clause regarding payment which is easy to overlook. I have recently been forwarded the following websites as trusted sources:

[www.thenational.academy](http://www.thenational.academy)

[www.rafmuseum.org.uk/cosford/schools-and-colleges/family-worksheets](http://www.rafmuseum.org.uk/cosford/schools-and-colleges/family-worksheets)

[www.royalmint.com/kids?](http://www.royalmint.com/kids?)

PE at Home: [www.pedssa.com/wp-content/uploads](http://www.pedssa.com/wp-content/uploads)

[www.ukractivekids.com/movecrew/](http://www.ukractivekids.com/movecrew/)

[www.oxfamapps.org.uk/coronavirus/education](http://www.oxfamapps.org.uk/coronavirus/education)

Speculation regarding the re-opening of school continues but upon listening to and reading the Secretary of State's advice, school will only reopen when given criteria is met and it is as safe as possible to do so. The Secretary of State further advises that time will be given for school to plan its reopening and communicate it with you, thus giving you time to make any required arrangements.

In the meantime, please take care.

With all my best wishes,

Mr S Arnold.  
Headteacher

From tiny acorns **mighty oaks** grow...



