



Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March

Dear parents & carers,

Today, your child is being sent home with a home learning pack. We are still open to all pupils and have not yet been told anything about being closed but wanted to send these home so we are well-prepared.

Your child has got:

- Maths and reading comprehension booklets
- Spellings and phonics to practise
- A pencil
- 'What if' challenges linked to our geography topics
- At least one reading book

**These are for children to use if and when children are not in school and they are intended to provide children with work for the first few days.** They can continue to practice the spellings, phonics sounds and key words they are provided too.

**After this, teachers will set all future work on ClassDojo – sent via class story or to pupils' portfolios.** They will get daily Maths and English tasks sent to them in this way. Pupils can then complete work every day and even upload their completed work – including photos and videos, onto their own ClassDojo portfolio.

Pupils will also be set weekly challenges and fun activities to try at home on ClassDojo. Make sure your child reads at home every day.

Staff will be available, between the hours of 9:00am-3:00pm Monday-Friday, via ClassDojo to respond to questions and check work which pupils submit. We will aim to respond to any pupil or parent/carer within 24 hours.

It is really important that, if possible, you ensure you are signed up to ClassDojo and your children have access to their account. We are contacting all parents, who are not currently signed up, via phone call and/or email to make sure everyone has joined.

If you have any problems using ClassDojo, please speak to someone in school, or if school is closed, email: [office@arnbrookprimary.net](mailto:office@arnbrookprimary.net) or [head@arnbrookprimary.net](mailto:head@arnbrookprimary.net)

Thank you for all your support. We will be here to support you as much as possible during this time and feel free to reach out if you need anything.

From all the staff at Arbrook Primary School



### **Useful websites and things to do at home.**

Here are some websites and ideas that you can use at home. Some of them may require you to set up a free log in for your child.

Your children's safety is a priority so please consider how to keep them safe online. There is some excellent guidance on the NSPCC website: [www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/) Please ensure you have set parental controls on all devices and keep an eye on your child's history.

Children, remember if you see anything that makes you feel uncomfortable or worried, please talk to an adult. This website has games to play and will help you learn about how to keep yourself safe: [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

[www.plprimarystars.com](http://www.plprimarystars.com) click on the 'For Families' tab for competitions and inspiration.

For our younger children who are learning to read and write; Search YouTube for 'letter formation with Miss Emma' this supports how we say and write the letters and sounds.

[www.play.prodigygame.com](http://www.play.prodigygame.com)

[www.topmarks.co.uk](http://www.topmarks.co.uk)

[www.mathshed.com](http://www.mathshed.com)

[www.teachyourmonstertoread.com](http://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com)

[www.phonicsplaycomics.co.uk](http://www.phonicsplaycomics.co.uk) have comics that children learning to read will enjoy.

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/literacy/>

[www.spellingshed.com.en-gb](http://www.spellingshed.com.en-gb)

[www.joognome.com](http://www.joognome.com) story podcasts from children aged 3-6

[www.amazingeducationalresources.com](http://www.amazingeducationalresources.com)

[www.uk.ixl.com](http://www.uk.ixl.com) this is an American website but takes to you other websites for worksheets

[www.primaryresources.co.uk](http://www.primaryresources.co.uk)

[www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize) & <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies>

Websites that are currently offering free access to resources;

[www.twinkl.co.uk/offer](http://www.twinkl.co.uk/offer) enter the code UKTWINKLHELPS

[www.phonicsplay.co.uk](http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk) use the username: march20 and password: home

### **Don't forget the importance of keeping active too.**

- Joe Wicks has many great workouts for kids on his YouTube channel The Body Coach TV
- Cosmic Yoga on YouTube is fantastic for children and will help keep them calm.
- Just dance kids is also on YouTube and is a great way of staying active and having fun.



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**Children, your safety is the most important thing so if you are worried or frightened about something then you can: speak to a trusted adult; contact a member of school staff on ClassDojo; call Childline free on 0800 1111.**



Adults, the following organisations can provide help and support:

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|  <p>Contact school through ClassDojo or our school website.</p>  |  <p>Call the NSPCC helpline if you think a child is at risk.</p>   | <p>Nottingham City Social Care<br/>(Children &amp; families Direct): 0115 8764800<br/>Nottinghamshire Social Care<br/>(MASH):<br/>0300 500 80 90</p> <p>If a child is at immediate risk, dial 999</p>  |
| <p>If your child has a mental health emergency, then the CAMHS crisis team can be contacted on 0115 9691300 or 111 for emergency doctors or 999 police. Also contact your GP and take the young person to A&amp;E for an emergency assessment.</p> | <p>Arnold Food Bank:<br/>Daybrook Baptist Church,<br/>Mansfield Road,<br/>NG5 6AA<br/>Opening Times: Mon, Wed &amp; Fri.<br/>1:30-3:00pm<br/>07854690694<br/><a href="http://arnold.foodbank.org.uk">http://arnold.foodbank.org.uk</a></p> | <p>If you feel that you're at risk in the home, Womens Aid can help.<br/>Email : <a href="mailto:helpline@womensaid.org.uk">helpline@womensaid.org.uk</a><br/>or check the website:<br/><a href="http://www.womensaid.org.uk">www.womensaid.org.uk</a></p> <p>Nottingham Citizens Advice:<br/>Tel: 0300 330 5457</p> |

**Take care of yourselves and each other.**