



Ashley Junior School

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1st May 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Thank you for embracing the learning so positively over the last two weeks. We have been thrilled with the invention, creativity and diligence you and your children have shown. We do appreciate how tricky this is – especially with the recent weather – so please remember we are here to help.

Attached is the menu for learning created by Mrs Harling for the next **three** weeks – taking us to half term. The overall Topic is 'What a Wonderful World' for the whole school and Mrs Harling has designed a grid more suited to Robins linked to this on the theme of 'Minibeasts'. You can pick any activities from the Minibeast grid or you could look at the whole school grid on the website. **This menu is intended to last for 3 weeks** and then there will be a new topic and new choices.

Alongside the Choice Menu your child should continue on a daily basis to:

- Access Reading Plus or Lexia to support progress in reading
- Use Mathletics so there is regular practise with maths concepts
- Learn spellings – as given to you in their individual packs.

These provide regular and bespoke practise in key skills and will be monitored regularly by your child's teacher.

In addition to this there are a couple of other things you might want to get involved in:

- We had planned to have a lovely VE Day celebration at school where we invited former pupils and local residents to a big party – it was planned as part of our 80th birthday celebrations. Sadly, that can't happen. However, you might like to take a look at the special **VE Day learning grid** that has a wonderful range of activities so we can commemorate and celebrate such a marvellous event.
- Mrs. Pounds has created a Design Competition for a new, whole school, front cover for our Reading Journals. Have a look at the details on the page she has created. We would love to see lots of designs – use your amazingly creative brains and see what you can create!

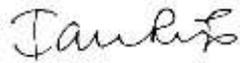
All the information you need for these activities can be found on the website.

Can I remind you about the e-safety pages that Mr. Cousins has created. Your children are possibly spending more time than usual on their devices and the advice here is extremely helpful. <http://ashleyjuniorschool.co.uk/e-safety-for-parents/> We would also recommend that you register with the **National Online Safety** site that we belong to as a school. It is **free** and all you have to do is go to <http://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/ashley-junior-school> and register. When registering you will be asked what kind of user you are and you just need to select **Parent**.

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Please do keep sending your photos of your children learning and having fun. We are all so isolated, and seeing the learning that is taking place genuinely brings us much joy and a connection that we are all missing. Similarly, if you have any feedback – things that are going well and things that are a challenge – it would be great to hear from you.

Do not hesitate to contact us if you need anything – we will do all we can to help. We hope that all is well with you and your loved ones. Keep in touch with us and stay safe.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ian Rix". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

IAN RIX
Headteacher