

An update on home learning during the school closure from 27th April.

From Monday 27th April, parents, carers and children can access daily and weekly lessons via the **Learning** page of the school website.

Once in the **Learning** page, click on **Home learning** and then on the year group that your child is currently in. Finally click on the tab – **Weekly lessons during school closure**.

This will be updated every week, so you can start every Monday with something new.

Below is some guidance on how you can create a positive learning environment at home:

Be realistic about what you can do

- **You are not expected to become teachers** and your children are not expected to learn as they do in school. Simply **providing your children with some structure** at home will help them to adapt. Use the tips below to help you make this work for your household
- **Try different things out** and then **take stock**. What is working and what is not? Ask your children, involve them too
- **Share the load if there are 2 or more adults at home**. Split the day into short slots and take turns so you can do your own work

Take care of your own health and wellbeing. This is essential for your entire household.

Keep to a timetable wherever possible

- **Create and stick to a routine** if you can. This is what children are used to. For example, eat breakfast at the same time and make sure they are dressed before starting the 'school' day – avoid staying in pyjamas!
 - **Involve your children in setting the timetable** where possible. It is a great opportunity for them to manage their own time better and it will give them ownership
 - **Check in with your children and try to keep to the timetable, but be flexible**. If an activity is going well or they want more time, let it extend where possible
 - If you have more than 1 child at home, **consider combining their timetables**. For example, they might exercise and do maths together – see what works for your household
 - **Designate a working space if possible**, and at the end of the day have a clear cut-off to signal school time is over
 - **Stick the timetable up on the wall** so everyone knows what they should be doing when, and tick activities off throughout the day
 - **Distinguish between weekdays and weekends**, to separate school life and home life
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Make time for exercise and breaks throughout the day

- **Make sure you do** some simple exercise every day
- If you have a **garden, use it regularly**. If you don't, try to get out **once a day** as permitted by the government (households can be together outdoors but 2 metres apart from others)

- Get your children to **write in a diary what they did each day** – this can be a clear sign that the ‘school’ day has ended

Other activities to keep children engaged throughout the day

- Get your children to **write postcards** to their family members or to friends
- **Give them chores** to do so they feel more responsible about the daily routine at home
- Ask them to **help you cook** and bake
- Accept that **they'll probably watch more TV/spend time on their phone** – that's ok but you might want to set/agree some screen time limits

Home-learning timetables

- If you want a more detailed timetable and feel that would be of help, email your child's teacher and they will give you some more detailed guidance

Contact details remain the same

Year Group	Email Address	Members of Staff with access
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You can also contact the school directly on 020 8205 8706 or by email at office@colindale.barnetmail.net

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