



Do what you can, with what you have, where you are Theodore Roosevelt

6th Nov 2020

Home Learning with DB Primary

Over the coming weeks, children in Years 1 to 6 will be coming home with login details for our new online learning platform DB Primary, which is linked to School Ping. Teaching teams will be working with children in school to get to know the system; where they will be able to receive home learning, submit home learning to their teaching team, and communicate with their class teacher and classmates about the school work. When this comes home please follow the link on the sheet with your child and login using the details provided so you can get to know the system together. This can be accessed via a browser on any device.

Some of you have indicated that you do not have access to a device at home. Please can those of you without a device by which to access the system with your child call the school office. Thank you!



What do we do when our hearts hurt?

Winning KS1 Answer by Eliza in Orange Squares

Maybe you can tell your Mummy that your heart hurts and sge can give you a cuddle. I would tell somebody 'don't worry'.

Winning KS2 Answer by Riley B in Year 5

When my heart hurts, I go to a friend or family member to talk about how I feel and they can seem to wrap my heart in bandages of love, kindness and happiness

Headteacher Awards

Ella in Orange Circles; Isabella, Lily T, and Connor in Year 3



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CELEBRATING EACH OTHER, AND THE JOURNEY WE ARE ON

Lockdown Restrictions

With additional restrictions having come into force this week, we asked you to ensure that the lockdown rules are followed during drop off and collection times on the recreation ground and in the park by standing at least two metres from other households, and keeping your children with you until their class is called in.

Thank you SO much for your help since we sent home that message. We are working really hard with the guidance to help ensure children remain in school and your help in adhering to the restrictions is vital. We know it must be so hard to keep children by your side and keeping your distance from your friends, and are so grateful for your support.

THANK YOU

Age Concern

This week we sent hundreds of cards designed and made by pupils to go to care homes and households of elderly members of the community who are alone and isolating. There were rainbows, poems, Christmas decorations, thoughtful messages, flowers, woodland animals, sea creatures, colours, and kindness. Thank you to all the children and to Age Concern, who are taking the cards to those who would benefit most from them.



Support

Have you been finding it difficult to access support? The current situation has left many people on the end of a long waiting list or simply unable to access a vital support service, ranging from care respite and counselling to medical appointments and court services. If you are finding it difficult to access support, please feel free to reach out to us – where we will do all that we can to help. We have a range of contacts and services that we are happy to spend time exploring on your behalf with your consent.

Year 5 Road Safety Activity

This afternoon Year 5 pupils are having a visit from the Safer Essex road safety partnership. The children have been reminded how they should behave when they are near the road, including how to cross the road in the safest way. They were also reminded why they should always wear a seat belt and the importance of always wearing their cycle helmet.

They will all be given a fluorescent bag to remind them to **Be Bright, Be Seen.**

Children in Need

Next Friday, we will be raising awareness for Children in Need. Your child is invited to attend school wearing their home clothes, and if you can, we are suggesting that families make a donation online or in a charity box in a supporting shop.

We will be using Children in Need videos and resources to raise awareness of the charity and the work that they do in school, and holding class 'Act your Age' challenges, based on ideas from their website.

For more information or to make a donation, please visit www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk

Thank you!

Art Lessons

During Autumn Term and Spring Term, we will be joined by art specialist Mrs Clark to provide art lessons to support the class topics for year groups in blocks of four or five weeks. This week she started working with Year 5, where they learnt about the various styles of shading, and worked on a number of 'quick fire' projects such as drawing with their left hand and sketching without removing their pencil from the paper. Next week they will utilize these and other new skills whilst working on a project about Space. We are so excited to have Mrs Clark with us supporting our curriculum and working creatively with the children, where for the time being we are unable to take part in other activities such as school trips.

Music Lessons

As those of you with children who receive individual music lessons will know, we are currently unable to host these within school. Essex Music Services have created an online provision, for all children still wishing to access their tutoring.

Please visit the parent section within <https://www.essexmusichub.org.uk> for more information.