

20<sup>th</sup> March 2020

To all parents of children in Reception,

We have given you a home learning exercise book to put your child's learning in. Please take very good care of this school property, we ask that the children bring it back when we return for a 'show and tell' morning. When the children write in their book, please use a pencil.

We have created a document called 'Home Learning Grid' which we have sent home with the exercise book and it will be sent via Parent Mail. We will also send a daily email with phonics and number activities as well as an idea for a challenge.

**Every day, you will need to:**

- Have a go at the phonics, number and 'challenge' tasks.
- Choose other activities from the Home Learning Grid as needed.
- Read with an adult.

The EYFS Curriculum focuses on learning through play. We are therefore not expecting lots of set challenges to be completed. We place focus on developing stories and narratives as they play and having fun exploring activities to develop particular skills as shown on the Home Learning Grid.

There are a number of authors reading their books online which can be shared. If you are feeling creative, you may want to link some activities to the texts you share. We will send some examples of this to help.

**When appropriate you may also like to:**

- Take photos of what you have been up to and send them to the class email address:

Maple class- [mapleclass@st-james.kent.sch.uk](mailto:mapleclass@st-james.kent.sch.uk)

Cherry class- [cherryclass@st-james.kent.sch.uk](mailto:cherryclass@st-james.kent.sch.uk)

Oak class- [oakclass@st-james.kent.sch.uk](mailto:oakclass@st-james.kent.sch.uk)

These will be monitored by the team throughout the day. If the class teacher is currently working in school, you will receive replies from the other year group staff.

With best wishes from,  
Miss Greenfield, Mrs Coward, Miss Smith & Mrs O'Loan