Dear Parents/carers,

We hope you are safe and well and learning to cope with major changes in everyday life. It is a difficult balancing act for many parents working from home with family to try and create a new structure to the day and some sense of normality. It is also very important for parents and caregivers to take care of their own mental health and wellbeing.

We do appreciate that suddenly having to home school your children is challenging. As you know, we launched Google Classroom as our online learning platform two weeks ago. Each child should have received login details for their class. If you have not yet received your login details or are having any difficulty, then please email: admin@rathfern.lewisham.sch.uk

We are here to help and support you through this difficult time.

Thank you for supporting your children. It is important to remember that every family and every child is different. Some families can commit a lot of time to their child’s learning, while others are balancing working from home and children with varying needs. It’s also important to remember that you are not expected to deliver a full curriculum to your child. The tasks we will be post on google classroom will be a consolidation of learning your child has previously been taught in school.

Children will access learning tasks at their own individual level during this lockdown period. Some tasks will be accessed more independently and some will require a little more support. The most important thing is keeping your family happy and healthy.

Google Classroom learning is a new experience for your child, as well as you and us! Please complete this form by clicking on the link, to let us know how things are going for you at home. Please be honest; there is no judgement here! Your feedback will help us to support you and your child as well as we can.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1ZdelvESay1UZsi2jhvG0yu-iNAhZo9nCnxGanFdYug/edit?no_redirect=true

For parents/carers concerned that Google may be collecting data on your child’s YouTube watch and search history, watch this video to find out how to pause and delete YouTube history on your child’s school G Suite account:

https://youtu.be/81ymY375Npc

All good wishes,

Naheeda Maharsingam
NURSERY

Nursery have made a great start using Google classroom. This week some of the nursery children have had fun learning about shapes and going on shape hunts at home and whilst on daily walks. Thank you to the wonderful parents for getting involved and helping to make learning really fun for the children. We hope you have all enjoyed the stories and are joining in with the actions. Don’t forget to use the learning attribute…you are powerful learners!!

We would like to recognise Mason as an outstanding learner this week, for practising writing his name every day at home and for engaging really well with lots of different activities on Google Classroom.

YEAR 1

Well done to all year one children for engaging in your online learning! Parents and carers, we appreciate all your efforts and support too. We have been online learning for two weeks now and we appreciate it is a challenge, but we are really enjoying seeing the learning that is being uploaded. We are also enjoying speaking to you on the phone and hearing the wonderful activities you have been doing whilst being at home. You should all be very proud of yourselves.

We hope you enjoyed a little video reminding you that you are POWERFUL!

Take care and remember to contact us if you need anything.

Year one team
A very well done to Ezme who created this fantastic poster on Mary Anning
Hello Year 2

Thank you so much for all the learning you have been completing on Google Classrooms. It has been wonderful to see your independent learning with Lenny the Lion roaring with excitement nearby.

Those learners who have been finding it challenging to upload or complete tasks, keep persevering as it is all part of your new style of sharing your amazing learning!

Most importantly, parents and carers, a huge thank you for supporting your children’s learning by checking and uploading their tasks. This has been hugely helpful for us.

We miss you and cannot wait to have you back in class, sharing all of your fascinating thoughts and ideas with each other.

Till then, remember to read, read and do more... READING!

Miss Roach and Miss Dsouza

Cherry Blossom class

Hazel class

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Monday 27th April 2020

Dear Diary,

Today I heard my inner self. I am not be pretty or them all. That got me really surprised. My eyes jumped like a pint that hasn’t had any water. My anger sizzled like a barbecue. I will now my guards to find her, get her, and kill here. Then I will have the best day ever!

From the Queen.

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First you get a sunflower seed - bold

Next you put in a pot with soil

Then put it in a sunny place

After water it every day

Finally wait for the stem to grow

once the roots are strong it will grow

Cndt.....
Dear Year 3,

Miss Adegbuyi and I are missing you all dearly. It has been lovely speaking to you all over the phone and seeing all of your amazing learning on Google Classroom. Well done for persevering throughout the challenges we’ve posted into the classrooms! We know that this period is challenging and we just want to remind you that we are here to support you throughout this time, always. Sometimes we doubt our strength and resilience when we are faced with a challenge but it’s important to reflect on how much you have achieved and overcome.

We’d also like to thank our parents and carers for their constant support at home. Without you, all of this wouldn’t have been possible.

Sending love and well wishes.

Remember, YOU ARE POWERFUL! 😊

MISS SINEAD’S ART CHALLENGE
PART ONE

Sycamore's Art showcase

HERE ARE SOME OF OUR BEAUTIFUL ART PIECES, WELL DONE!

Created by Elysia

Created by Slon

Created by Moreena

Cnd.....
Outside

Here is a beautiful piece written by Ella in Guelder Rose class called 'Outside'

Cntd.....
YEAR 4

A big well done and thank you to all children in Year 4, who have logged on, engaged and submitted most/all pieces of learning. It makes us very proud to see so many children taking responsibility of their learning.

We have started our exciting, new topic: World War II. Some of the children have made OUTSTANDING projects during the holidays! It was great to see so many children using recycled materials to make their projects, well done! You are all eco-warriors!

In English we have been busy reading, The Lion and the Unicorn - a wonderfully illustrated story of Lenny Levi, a young boy who is evacuated to the countryside during World War Two. In Maths, we have been learning about mixed number and improper fractions!

Thank you to all parents, carers and adults for your continuous support during these challenging times. We appreciate everything you are doing at home!

Keep up the great work Year 4. Remember you are all AMAZING individuals!
Take care and hope to see you soon!
YEAR 5

Juniper Class Outstanding Learners

Barnaby has shown effort by consistently submitting his learning across all subjects.

Adam has also shown consistency in submitting his learning across all subjects. He has made particular effort with the maths learning and I look forward to building on this with him when we are back at school.

Mouad has shown extreme self-regulation and motivation by completing his learning independently at home. He has been so committed to his learning that he has been seeking out extra online platforms to learn from too.

Pippa has shown effort by consistently submitting her learning across all subjects to a high standard. I was particularly impressed by the quality of her humanities learning.

Outstanding learners for Magnolia Class:

Deborah - For making a fantastic start to virtual school on Google Classroom by completing learning to a good standard and submitting it in a timely manner.

Ava - For putting in a great effort so far this term on Google Classroom and persevering with her learning in spite of the challenging situation.

Miracle - For showing great commitment to her learning on Google Classroom and taking the extra time to respond to feedback by correcting her learning and resubmitting it.
Outstanding Learners

These children have maintained self-regulation at home and have shown incredible effort in their learning on Google Classroom. Here is a brief summary of what each child has produced:

Robert: Consistent high standards of learning being submitted and he has met all of his deadlines early. Fantastic effort.

Kacper: He has been submitting excellent learning in a range of topics and he is consistently polite when asking for feedback in the private messages. A wonderful attitude to learning.

Hong-Zhuo: Has submitted some incredible learning so far. He has shown that he is a computer whizz by how wonderfully he has presented some of his learning online.

Melissa: An all-round fantastic attitude to Google Classroom. She is always keen to do her learning and has shown that she is clearly using the resources in maths to achieve a very high standard.

Samara: She has produced some amazing maths work this week and she is really benefitting from the resources provided. She has shown wonderful self-regulation by ensuring that she carefully reads the instructions of every assignment.

Alex: Has completed his maths to a very high standard and is showing a continued improvement on Google classroom each week.

We are looking forward to identifying more children for next week’s good news newsletter.