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Dear Parents and Carers

As I write this letter on 19th March 2020 the situation in the country in regard to the response to the Coronavirus outbreak is everchanging. Schools will be closed from the end of the day on Friday 20th March 2020. Cumbria County Council are working on the plan to open on a limited basis across the county. A letter from CCC will be published on Friday 20th March and this will give more details.

During this school closure, we want every child from Warwick Bridge School to be able to continue with their education as much as possible. Staff will communicate by e-mail and Class Dojo to set regular tasks. Staff will be in school on Monday 23rd March between 9am and 4pm if you would like to come in and collect any stationery your child will need for this work.

Websites that will supplement work set by staff:

- Access a wealth of educational games and learning sites at http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/
- <u>All Subjects</u> Emile have a good app for use on a tablet and it is free once you register <u>https://www.emile-education.com/schools-corona-virus/</u>
- <u>Core Subjects</u> Classroom Secrets also have free interactive resources for Maths and English <u>https://kids.classroomsecrets.co.uk/product/parent-access/</u>
- <u>Maths</u> For good Maths exercises go to <u>http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/maths/index.html</u>
- <u>Maths</u> More maths resources can be found at <u>https://www.k7maths.com/landing</u> or <u>https://corbettmaths.com/contents/</u>
- Twinkl have set up a free resource for parents to access at no charge. This membership will last a month. To access this follow these steps:
 - (i) Go to <u>www.twinkl.co.uk/offer</u>
 - (ii) Enter the code UKTWINKLHELPS you will now be able to access a wealth of learning areas with your child.
- English For good English exercises go to http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/literacy/index.htm
- <u>Times Educational Supplement</u> This offers a host of free resources for all ages. You can join this site for free. <u>https://www.tes.com/resources/search/?experiments=pricing_facet%3A1&pricing=free&q=revision&page=3</u>
- Spelling Shed, My Maths and Spag.com are sites that you will be used to working with at home
- <u>Computing</u> Pupils can access Discovery Education and the coding exercises at <u>https://www.discoveryeducation.co.uk/</u> Login details are *Username:* student9569 *Password:* wbs2018
- All Subjects 'Hit the Button' exercises ideal for tablets https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?Subject=12
- <u>Phonics</u> Access free phonics resources and games at <u>https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/</u>

If you do not have access to the internet or do not have a device to access these sites, please contact school

<u>Teacher Contacts – use these e-mail addresses to contact your child's class teacher during regular school hours Monday to Friday.</u> <u>Staff who are unwell or are self-isolating will not be setting work during this time. In this case contact the Head Teacher.</u>

Mrs McBride: <u>imcbride@warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk</u> Miss Stobbs: <u>cstobbs@warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk</u> Miss Day: <u>sday@warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk</u> Mrs Kelly: <u>tkelly@warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk</u> Miss Hogarth: <u>nhogarth@warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk</u> Mrs Douglass: <u>Idouglass@warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk</u> Mr Walsh: <u>swalsh@warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk</u> Mr Ashton: <u>head@warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk</u>

<u>NB:</u> Miss Stobbs can be contacted on Mondays and Tuesdays; Mrs Douglass on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. <u>Contact your class teacher with your e-mail address as soon as possible</u>

Suggested Timetable for Working at Home

During a prolonged absence from school it is good practice to give your child the routine that they would have on a school day. To help with this we have organised a timetable that we suggest you follow in order to maximise the time spent out of school. Most families could be spending a lot of time at home in the coming weeks so it is important that every child has a good system and one that parents and carers can relate to. See below for the way in which a day can be spent at home.

How to Stay Active and Educated at Home

<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>What to do</u>
Before 9am	Wake up	Breakfast, get dressed, make your bed
9-10am	Morning Walk	Family walk – take the dog if you have one
		If raining try some Yoga – be active!
10-12noon	Academic Learning Time	Tasks set by teachers and use of recommended
		educational websites
12 noon	Lunch	Help prepare lunch
12.30pm	Help around the house	Clean the kitchen
		Wipe door handles
		Clean bathroom and sinks
1pm	Quiet Time	Reading, puzzles – take a nap!
2-4pm	Creative Time	Lego, craft, drawing, baking, musical instrument playing
4-5pm	Afternoon Fresh Air	Get outside, go for a bike ride, walk the dog, climb a tree
5-6pm	Dinner Time	Help cook tonight's meal
6-8pm	Free time	Hobbies, interests, relaxation
8-9pm	Ready for bed/bedtime	Reading
		Lights out

As well as the access to websites pupils need to ensure they also do the following:

- Learn their times tables there are good resources in the school planner
- Read this should be encouraged at all times, especially last thing at night before bed
- Keep fit make time to go outside and take some exercise

As you may be aware the government has decided to cancel all tests and assessments. This means that all Key Stage 1 and 2 SATs, Y1 Phonics Screening and the Y4 Multiplication Check will not take place. We will continue with our own teacher assessment when children return to school. Pupils may be understandably anxious about what is happening at this time and staff will seek to reassure them and answer questions openly and honestly. If you have any specific questions or concerns regarding this information please get in touch with school as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

Mr M Ashton Head Teacher