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Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you are staying safe and the children are enjoying their Easter break as best they can given the ongoing circumstances. On behalf of all the staff in the school I want to thank you for completing the online survey we distributed before the Easter holidays. Teachers were thrilled to hear that their phone calls, and the work they have sent home, is making a difference. We will continue to respond to your needs as best we can and act upon your comments accordingly.

We have compiled some new resources for you that will help during the Easter holiday break. Whilst we do not expect children to be working every day we understand that families appreciate fun and engaging ideas to support their children during the current lockdown. Considering some of the comments made in the survey we have made you the following;

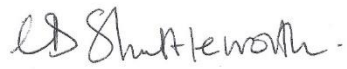
- Simple themed activities that can be done with the whole family. There is one document for every year group, but families can adapt the activities in each key stage to suit their children's needs. These activities are fun and interactive and will provide the children with something novel to do in a time where they cannot be with their friends. We would continue to encourage children to share their completed activities with the school, their friends and family. Your pictures of the children working genuinely are making a difference to us, please keep them coming!
- A list of additional online resources that require no registration. These free online reading, maths, PE, history and SEND resources are for all children and will support their wellbeing and learning over the Easter holiday in a more interactive and fun manner. The reading resources are of particular use in a time when physical books are hard to distribute from the schools. Once again, there is no expectation to use them all. These have been selected to provide a different route for your child to have fun with their learning.
- New learning packs are available on the school websites including activities that promote children's wellbeing. We **do not** expect families to engage with these packs until after the Easter holidays where we will send out further instructions including how to access new writing books. Calls home from teachers will continue after the Easter holiday. I believe it is important that we continue to communicate with your children until a time is reached where they can come back to school.

- We are planning to create more 'project type' activities for your children after Easter that can be submitted for feedback. More information on this will be provided in due course.

As always, if there is anything else we can do to help you and your family please do not hesitate to get in touch,

Stay safe, take care and enjoy the Easter break.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ian Shuttleworth". The signature is written in a cursive style with a small flourish at the end.

Ian Shuttleworth
Head of School