

# Bishop Road Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## **Week 7 COVID Closure Update**

*I hope you have been able to locate this letter easily. Due to problems with the school messaging service it has not been possible to send this out in the usual way this afternoon.*

As we approach the end of the seventh week of school closures I hope that you and your families are keeping well. Today is the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE day which is something I know many families will be thinking about and marking in different ways. The BBC have some excellent resources and information that you may want to view ([click to open link](#)).

All of the class teachers have posted letters to their classes this week– with another round of videos due next Friday. I have really enjoyed watching some of the videos that staff have uploaded and the following new videos have been added today:

- Bake brownies with Mrs Steimetz
- Dye eggs with Ms Squires
- Find maths in nature with Miss Leigh
- Make a paper whale with Miss Lawrence
- Enjoy a story with Mr Emissah

## **Home Learning**

The success of the school is very much a community wide endeavour with all of us playing different and important roles. We know families are experiencing many challenges, managing competing demands and pressures in the current situation and we want to reaffirm how the school staff and leaders value the contribution parents and carers are making to educating children at home. We are very mindful that families will be taking different approaches, with different levels of confidence and managing home learning in different ways.

We believe the daily routines around learning provide the best environment for children during this period of school closure and we appreciate your commitment to support your children experiencing some learning on a daily basis. The most valued daily task of all is spending time listening to your children read, as well as reading to them.



The topic of next week's home learning project is 'Transport' which I think will ignite the imagination of many children and will hopefully be enjoyed by some parents too! From Monday there are maths videos to accompany home learning for each year group. I would also recommend the following enjoyable and inspiring activities that have been uploaded to the main home learning pages today:

- **Emmylou's Fine Art Workshop** found in 'Fun activities and challenges'
- **RWA competition** found in the 'Fun activities and challenges'
- **Book making** found in 'Information for Parents and Carers'

A reminder for parents who may be seeking additional work or an alternative approach to home learning for English lessons- the Oak National Academy continue to produce over 180 lessons and videos each week with specific tasks for year groups some of which may be of interest to you (open the link- [Oak English Lessons](#))

### Staying in touch

It has been wonderful to receive photos and updates from families this week. Please continue to send these to [homelearning@bishoproadschool.co.uk](mailto:homelearning@bishoproadschool.co.uk) and do remember to state 'I give permission for this image to be used on the school blog'. A further reminder that the year group emails are available for contact regarding queries around home learning. Staff will aim to respond as soon as possible to your queries.

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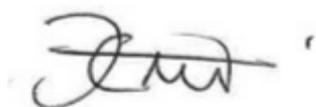
Contact about important or emergency matters should still be directed to: [info@bishoproadschool.co.uk](mailto:info@bishoproadschool.co.uk)

### Well-being top tips

Bristol Educational Psychology service are producing simple resources and information promoting the wellbeing of parents and children which they have asked us to share (available on our website).

Thank you again for your continued effort and support during this challenging time.

Yours sincerely,



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