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Spring Term Newsletter No.10**Friday 27th March 2020****Messages from Mrs Eveleigh...**

Dear Parents/Carers,

WELL DONE CHILDREN for working so hard ☺

...and a HUGE thank you to parents for your patience and understanding this week, not only trying access and deliver our home learning programme but also the struggle of sending in the evidence! We are really delighted that so many of you have managed to send in something, even an email telling us what you have been doing has been great. If you haven't contacted us yet with your child's work for last week, please do get in touch. We have almost finished responding to all those sent in and from the feedback we have been getting, the children are excited to receive teacher's messages. Children we will endeavour to respond to your work as soon as possible.

Home learning after Easter.

In order to organise the staff rotas, we have decided that work will be set at the start of each week, starting after Easter on Tuesday 14th April. These will be available on the school website under **Children> homework**. We have been commissioning some other web based learning to help ease the access problems that some of you have been experiencing over the internet with sites crashing. You will be sent a link to the new programmes on the web home learning sheet, but passwords will be sent separately to you via email.

Please could we ask that work is sent on the Friday of that week preferably by lunchtime, and only sent to admin@webbers.devon.sch.uk as we are working through one office. It would be ideal if you could make the e-mail subject matter be your child's name and initial, the year group, school and date e.g. **Charles J WPS Y4 17032020**. Thank you. Please email admin if you are having difficulties.

I have attached a help with home learning help sheet at the end of this newsletter and if you need help with our maths/ Grammar terminology we have a parent booklets also under **children<homework**.

It is sad to think that our Easter celebrations are now cancelled but perhaps I could encourage you to (safely) light a candle and put it in your windows at 7pm on Sunday evenings, along with our local church community. I also believe that Reverend Glyn has a Facebook page and a WhatsApp group! Please visit <https://sites.google.com/site/spteammc/welcome> for more information. Our local church community have provided an on line version of the Easter Posada, which follows the Easter story. Please see our Church

Community Section for details. Next Sunday is Palm Sunday followed by Easter week so it would be a great time to start. There are also a range of U-tube videos that have accessible, child friendly retelling the Easter story too. The beginners bible has a cartoon version and this link is just a basic example :

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lu8_Zt5ir2o

I will be writing after Easter to try to keep you up to date with changes as they evolve whatever they may be! Do please, have a peaceful Easter and keep well.

With my very best wishes to you all,

Eveleigh

Deborah Eveleigh
Executive Head Teacher

Governor Update from Chair of Governors, Emily Hooper-Taylor

As governors we are really pleased with the way all staff have responded so promptly to providing home learning and feedback to our children, and also the way they are providing emergency childcare over the forth coming weeks for Key worker and vulnerable children. Governors are now meeting remotely to ensure we can continue to support our schools, for example the ensuring we approve the new Budgets. It is certainly a time for challenge for us all and we appreciate the way you have supported the school and your children during this time. I do hope that you have a peaceful Easter and Keep Safe.

Other news...**CORONAVIRUS Covid 19**

Devon Public Health has put together a website aimed at residents, which brings together all the relevant public links for information about Coronavirus. The link is on the front page of the DCC website Please consult this if you need to know more about local and national changes.

<https://www.devon.gov.uk/document/coronavirus-advice-in-devon/>

LOCAL AUTHORITY ALERT:

For Information / Guidance: [Scam Alert](#) from DCC

We have been alerted by the DFE that some parents have received an email stating:

'As schools will be closing, if you're entitled to free school meals, please send your bank details and we'll make sure you're supported'.

This is a scam email – do not respond, and delete immediately. If you think you might have been a victim of cyber-crime, please visit Action Fraud or contact them on [0300 123 2040](tel:03001232040). For further support, Citizen's Advice provides advice and support on online fraud. You can call their dedicated helpline or talk to someone online. [Get help from Citizen's Advice here](#)

STARS OF THE WEEK

WEBBER'S

Ruby P
James N
Rhys M
Ben T
Jessica P

BURLESCOMBE

Lahlia-May
Ethan G
Asher W
Jacob D

Diary Dates

Date	Location	Activity
Immediate- any outstanding work from last week	Email work & weekly timetable sheet in to admin@webbers.devon.sch.uk	Please remember: labelled with your child's name, school and year group followed by the date- thank you : Example: <i>Charles J WPS Y4 17032020</i> .
Mon 30th April – Tuesday 14 th April	Both schools	Easter break- no pre-set home learning -
Mon 30 th – Friday 3 rd April March	Webber's School	EASTER WEEK A Holiday Emergency Child care OPEN to Webber's and Burlescombe Essential KEY workers children only please. All week 8:40-3:30pm. Please email between 9and 3pm should you need to use this service as children need to be booked in. We have a skeleton staff to keep this service operating. Bring a packed lunch- wear own clothes/coat/wellie/water bottle & and PE kit
Mon 6 th – Thursday 9 th April	Webber's School	EASTER WEEK B Holiday Emergency Child care OPEN to Webber's and Burlescombe Essential KEY workers children only please. All week 8:40-3:30pm. Please email between 9and 3pm should you need to use this service as children need to be booked in. We have a skeleton staff to keep this service operating. Bring a packed lunch- wear own clothes/coat/wellie/water bottle & and PE kit
TUESDAY 14 th APRIL	SCHOOL WEBSITES	<u>Summer 1 Home learning released</u> and hopefully we will email some new IT passwords for new sites
Tues 14 th – Friday 17 th April	Webber's School	SUMMER 1 Emergency Child care OPEN for Webber's and Burlescombe Essential KEY workers children only please. All week 8:40-3:30pm. Please email between 9and 3pm should you need to use this service as children need to be booked in. We have a skeleton staff to keep this service operating. Lunch may be available but - wear own clothes/coat/wellie/water bottle & and PE kit
Friday 17 th April	Email work & weekly timetable sheet in to admin@webbers.devon.sch.uk	Please remember: labelled with your child's name, school and year group followed by the date- thank you : Example: <i>Charles J WPS Y4 17032020</i> .
MONDAY 20 th APRIL	SCHOOL WEBSITES	<u>Summer 1 Home learning released</u>
Mon 20 th – Friday 24 th April	Webber's School	SUMMER week 2 Emergency Child care OPEN to Webber's and Burlescombe Essential KEY workers children only please. All week 8:40-3:30pm. Please email between 9and 3pm should you need to use this service as children need to be booked in. We have a skeleton staff to keep this service operating. Bring a packed lunch but wear own clothes/coat/wellie/water bottle & and PE kit
Friday 24 th April	Email work & weekly timetable sheet in to admin@webbers.devon.sch.uk	Please remember: labelled with your child's name, school and year group followed by the date- thank you : Example: <i>Charles J WPS Y4 17032020</i> .

We will advise you where we can of any changes via email and update with our plans after Easter

ONLINE EASTER POSADA - for KS1 and KS2

Each school had been given an Easter Posada to send home with children in KS1, and to use in school. It is full of Easter stories, jigsaws, activities and prayers. Due to the current situation they had little chance to use them.

So, we have created online versions for you to use at home - for KS1 and KS2. Click on the links below then follow the instructions. Send pictures if you do it please - we'd love to share them. WhatsApp 07902 774 626 or email robbudgell@hotmail.com

KS1: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1FMJBF7SfnoJJXsddrTufIhGeT6pgd8r-/view?usp=sharing>

KS2: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1An_jAMiVg-hw9JYSf4ZtUb8R-alwkk65/view?usp=sharing



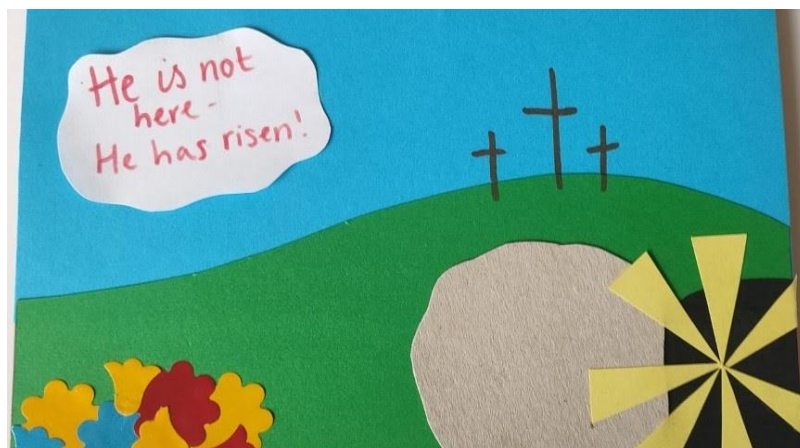
EASTER ACTIVITIES ON THE BBC

Cbeebies has a fun page here <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/lets-celebrate-easter?collection=lets-celebrate-celebrations>

Cbbc pages are here <https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/17597617>

MAKE YOUR OWN EASTER GARDEN

Here's one that we've made - with just paper & pens. You could make a real one - have a look at this example for inspiration https://partofthemain.files.wordpress.com/2013/03/img_6160.jpg





How to support home learning during term time

Follow this guidance to help create a positive learning environment at home

Be realistic about what you can do

- › **You're not expected to become teachers** and your children aren't expected to learn as they do in school. Simply **providing your children with some structure** at home will help them to adapt. Use the tips below to help you make this work for your household
 - › **Experiment** in the first week, then **take stock**. What's working and what isn't? Ask your children, involve them too
 - › **Share the load if there are 2 parents at home**. Split the day into 2-3 hour slots and take turns so you can do your own work too. There is often a need to share computers.
 - › **Take care of your own health and wellbeing**. This will be new for your entire household, so give it time to settle. Take a look at the links at the end of this factsheet for some advice on mental health and wellbeing.
 - › **Make sure you have relaxing meal breaks** 😊
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Keep to a timetable wherever possible

- › **Create and stick to a routine** if you can. This is what children are used to. For example, eat breakfast at the same time and make sure they're dressed before starting the 'school' day – avoid staying in pyjamas!
 - › **Involve your children in setting the timetable** where possible. It's a great opportunity for them to manage their own time better and it'll give them ownership
 - › **Check in with your children and try to keep to the timetable, but be flexible**. If a task/activity is going well or they want more time, let it extend where possible
 - › If you have more than 1 child at home, **consider combining their timetables**. For example, they might exercise and do maths together – see what works for your household
 - › **Designate a working space if possible**, and at the end of the day have a clear cut-off to signal school time is over
 - › **Stick the timetable up on the wall** so everyone knows what they should be doing when, and tick activities off throughout the day
 - › **Distinguish between weekdays, weekends and holidays**, to separate school life and home life
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Make time for exercise and breaks throughout the day

- › **Start each morning with a PE lesson** at 9am with Joe Wicks
 - › If you have a **garden, use it regularly**. If you don't, try to get out **once a day** as permitted by the government (households can be together outdoors but 2 metres apart from others)
 - › Get your children to **write in a diary what they did each day** – this can be a clear sign that the 'school' day has ended
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Other activities to keep children engaged throughout the day

- Where you have more freedom in the timetable, **make time for other activities**. Add some creative time or watch a fun dance video from [Go Noodle](#) to get the heart-rate going
- Get your children to **write postcards** to their grandparents or to pen pals
- Ask **grandparents/family/friends to listen to your children read** on FaceTime (or ask grandparents to read to younger children)
- Create a story den- sheet blankets and cushions under a bed/table are great!
- Start a children's story as a book that **you** read to them- older children especially enjoy the thrill of book that they may not be able to sustain reading for themselves
- **Give them household tasks** to do so they feel more responsible about the daily routine at home
- Ask them to **help you cook** and bake
- Accept that **they'll probably watch more TV/spend time on their phone** – that's ok but you would be wise to set/agree some screen time limits
- Spend time talking with your child- this is a fabulous opportunity to get some extra time with them
- Play some board games/cards snakes and ladders, Ludo, snap, pairs, dominoes- if you don't have these- try making them
- Revive some more old fashioned outside games, hopscotch skipping- (you should all have your rope now (email if not!) , ,
- Do some gardening with them
- Teach children basic sewing and try to make some sock puppets for a puppet show- I'm sure there are odd socks in your house somewhere!

Your home learning is on both websites:

<http://webbers.devon.sch.uk/homework/> and <http://burlescombe.devon.sch.uk/homework/>

Please locate the most current work set appropriate to the stage of your child's learning- this may mean accessing a slightly different year group than your child is in.

We have grammar and Maths parent help booklets at :

Contact us: If you need to contact the school. Please use the Webber's email- whichever school your child attends. Thank you

admin@webbers.devon.sch.uk

Current national NHS COVID -19 Guidance can be found at:

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/?gclid=EAlaIqobChMluZ6J4qXC6AIVB7DtCh2uhAnVEAAYASAAEgKTFfD_BwE

Latest Devon Guidance:

<https://www.devon.gov.uk/coronavirus-advice-in-devon/>

See guidance on supporting your mental health and that of your children:

- [Coronavirus and your wellbeing](#) – Mind.org
- [Supporting young people's mental health during this period](#) – Anna Freud Centre