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Dear Parents,

As we are now in the final term before the summer holiday and there is still uncertainty around when schools will be fully open, I will be providing ideas of how you can support your child to prepare for them moving on in their education into Reception in September, either with us or elsewhere.

As I'm sure you are aware, providing home learning with very young children is tricky as even when at Nursery their learning is mostly done through supporting their self-chosen play and sending lots of worksheets or online learning isn't appropriate for the age group, but hopefully you will be able to pick out the ideas that suit you and your child best. Tapestry isn't the best for this as it can be tricky to upload some files and videos are very restricted in length. I have therefore set up google classroom accounts for Nursery children, which means I will be able to upload videos they can watch and you will be able to access suggested ideas, activities, online resources and worksheets where appropriate.

As every home situation is unique with supporting different age groups of children, trying to combine home learning with remote learning for your own job etc. please do not feel any pressure to do the activities, but if you do, it would be lovely to see some pictures of what your children have been up to. These can be shared on the google classroom either so all parents and children can see if you want to share something to everyone on the feed, sent in an email on google classroom or uploaded into the file linked with the activity set. I will also set up an 'extra work' assignment so that if you have anything different your child has done at home that you would like to share with me, it can be put into that file.

Google classroom will replace Tapestry for communication from 1 June (for the rest of this academic year) so I will send you details soon on how you can download your child's tapestry profile and save this as they will be deleted at the end of the year to make room for new children or start afresh if your child is moving on to Reception.

Reading

If your child has already started with a reading book, there are lots of online reading scheme books available on the Oxford Owl website which is free to sign up.

Phonics

The Read Write Inc programme, which we follow in school from Reception (although some Nursery children have started this already) is available for online lessons which are starting from the beginning of each phase on 1 June. If you go to: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCo7fbLgY2oA_cFCI9GdxtQ you can choose the Phase 1 daily lesson. If your child works through this and you feel they are confident, they can then move to Phase 2. If not, the lessons are repeated in a cycle so they can then continue to consolidate the phase they have done, if needed.

Twinkl

Twinkl is an educational site with lots of useful resources. I will be attaching sheets linked with topic from the site on google classroom so should be able to download these directly from there.

However, it is a useful site to have access to (for example, if you want to do some learning following your child's interests) and they are offering free login for parents during lockdown. You can use the code: CVDTWINKLHELPS

With my thanks,

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