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Dear Parents and Carers,

Arrangements for home learning.

The children will be leaving school tomorrow with a pack of work for our first week of closure. During the following weeks you are able to access work directly from the school website. If you are not able to access the school website, then please let the school know.

In each year group folder there will be a folder entitled (for example) 'Week beginning March 30th' this folder will contain three other folders, one containing maths work for the week, one English work and another with some work in other subjects. The work will be uploaded onto the website on the Friday afternoon before the designated week. This means it will be ready for the start of the week.

If you have any queries about the task you will be able to contact your child's teacher through-mail. Teachers will be logging into their e mails regularly and will be happy to answer work related queries. Please bear in mind that the teacher may be ill, looking after their own children, carrying out school development work or indeed working at school to support children still coming into school. This means you may not always get an immediate response to your e mail.

The teacher year group e-mail details are as follows:

Reception classes	year.r@merton.leics.sch.uk
Yr 1	Year.1@merton.leics.sch.uk
Yr 2	Year.2@merton.leics.sch.uk
Yr 3	Year.3@merton.leics.sch.uk
Yr 4	Year.4@merton.leics.sch.uk
Yr 5	Year.5@merton.leics.sch.uk
Yr 6	Year.6@merton.leics.sch.uk

It is inevitable that whilst this work will be appropriate for your child's age group it will not be as well matched to individual needs as when the teachers work directly with your child in school. It will, however, support your child in continuing to make progress in their learning and it is therefore important that it is completed. Please look out for an e-mail to the children from me every Monday morning. I would be grateful if you could share this with your children to help support our feeling of school community.

Additional steps that will help:

- Try to maintain a routine and instil into the children how important it is to complete the tasks.
- Go through the task first with your child and check they understand what to do, and encourage them to do their best, have fun and celebrate good learning effort.
- Please remember to encourage your child to read every day.
- When writing, encourage the best presentation your child can do and aim for joining.
- If you would like to supplement the learning with additional activities, you can find very readily on line. We have signposted for you on our website. Go to the parents' tab where you will see the family well-being portal, click on that and you will find a document called 'Home based activities'.

We have sent the children home with their writing kits(KS2) and an exercise book. We will try to ensure that most of the tasks are able to be completed without the necessity for you to print sheets off.

As you know parent evenings were due to take place next week. During these sessions we would have shared a mid year review with you. These mid year reviews will now be e-mailed home to parents on Friday, March 27th. (Not Yr 6 as these were completed in January).

Whilst your child(ren) are at home please take care and look after each other. We will keep in contact with you. Please keep an eye on the school website which will have regular updates. There are emergency contact numbers for myself and my deputy on there – do not hesitate to contact us if you have any problems we may be able to help with.

Take Care

Shelagh Thomson