

Dear parents,

We have attached some educational guidance for you to use if you would like to while the children are away from school. However, in Year 1 we see this as a wonderful opportunity to do some lovely 'home' based skills that you may not always have time to share together. This is potentially a worrying time for the children and adults and therefore it is paramount that you choose activities that your child will enjoy and not cause conflict! Here are some suggestions to get you started:

- Bake cakes or cookies and choose recipes to make together.
- Plant seeds and nurture them.
- Play a board game as a family.
- Play a team sport as a family in the garden....i.e who can jump the farthest, who can win a race, mosters in the zoo (ask your child!)....
- Play Simon says and sleeping lions
- Grow cress and eat it.
- Make your own sandwich and drink.
- Learn to tie shoelaces.
- Draw lots of pictures.
- Make a den out of pillows and duvets.
- Tell the time.
- Learn some songs and sing them together.
- Make up a dance to your favourite song.
- Write a diary each day.
- Role play shops, hairdressers, café, schools, doctors, car mechanic.
- Allow the children to play and use their imaginations as much as possible with their toys.
- Learn to sew/knit/finger knit.
- Make models out of boxes and recycling.
- Go on a bike ride.

Finally enjoy lots of stories together – you could even write a book review for your friends. Oliver Jeffers is doing a 'stay at home story time' on his website every weeknight at 6pm. www.oliverjeffers.com . Most importantly have as much fun as you can!

Stay safe and we really hope to see you soon,

From

Mrs Cross, Mrs Johnson, Mrs Greenwood, Mrs Rainbow and Miss Kelly