

Friday 8th January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers of Marine Academy Primary and Nursery children,

Once again we would like to thank you for your support and patience during this very challenging week. Everything has certainly been a quick turnaround since Monday! Thank you for bearing with us while we prepared the first set of Home Learning Packs and reviewed places for children of critical workers. We would love for all children to be in school full-time but for now we need to do everything we can to keep everyone as safe as possible.

From today, Reception to Year 6 children will start receiving the Home Learning Packs in the post (or if your child attended school yesterday then they would have taken it home with them). If your child is attending school at all then they will need to bring their Home Learning Pack (HLP) with them please on the days they attend. This week's HLP included two exercise books (for Year 1 to 6 children) so if for any reason your HLP arrived in the post damaged and you think you may have something missing then please do not hesitate to email the year group email account for your child, as detailed below. Nursery and Pre-School children will have their HLPs emailed to their Parents/Carers on the main email address that we have on file for you.

Year Group	Email Address	Teachers
Nursery	MAP.Nursery@marineacademy.org.uk	Carrie, Kirsty and Becca
Pre-School	yearpreschool@marineacademy.org.uk	Miss Stephens and Mr Green
Reception	yearreception@marineacademy.org.uk	Miss Rowe and Mr Ferry
Year 1	year1@marineacademy.org.uk	Mrs Marchant and Mr Andrews
Year 2	year2@marineacademy.org.uk	Miss Watson, Mr Andrew and Mr Brooking
Year 3	year3@marineacademy.org.uk	Ms Bell and Miss Newell



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Year 4	year4@marineacademy.org.uk	Miss Jones and Miss Gammage
Year 5	year5@marineacademy.org.uk	Mr Druce, Mr Cuzner and Mrs Impey
Year 6	year6@marineacademy.org.uk	Miss McNicholas and Mr Wilson

These are the same addresses that you will use to email in photos or videos of your child's learning at home. The team have been amazed by the amount of learning that has been going on at home this week. They have loved seeing photos of various Maths and English related learning as well as other subjects but have also seen photos of children baking bread, helping with the washing and being creative! When the 'timetable' goes out the window, when you don't know the answers to your 8 year old's Maths questions, when your 2 year old scribbles all over the exercise books, don't be too hard on yourselves. The wellbeing of you and your children is the most important thing. Please do not worry if you do not complete the HLPs – they are being provided for if you would like to do them but as parents, we know you will still do awesome activities with your children that will enable them to learn in many other excellent ways! The teachers have been really excited to reward Dojo points for the great learning they have seen already. We will continue to not use Dojo as a communication tool as we already have Xpression for this and now these email accounts but teachers will continue to print out the sheets each week to show you how many Dojo points your child has.

Schools across the country are taking very different approaches to their Remote Learning provision based on several factors including: safeguarding concerns, pupil numbers attending during the school closure, staffing capacity, the age of the pupils and children's access to devices. Marine Academy teachers have made the Home Learning Packs as easy to follow, and clear as possible, and they will be available to any questions that you send in to the email accounts above. Please do use the QR codes, included in the HLPs, by scanning them on devices with cameras or by entering the link on a web browser. Many of the links will take you to videos that have



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been prepared and recorded by class teachers and includes great instructions from the team about the lessons. Teachers have also recorded themselves reading stories for the children's Guided Reading and Drop Everything and Read lessons. The team have worked hard to ensure that all home learning activities are accessible for all and by uploading the videos to YouTube, this has meant that you are able to access them via a SMART TV, Amazon Fire Stick, Playstation or Xbox as well as on a laptop, mobile phone etc. A guide to access them using a games console is attached with this letter. If you are working from home and would find it easier for your child to access solely online learning then please visit the [Oak National Academy](https://www.nationalacademy.org.uk/) website, further details about this website was included in the 'Website Links' document sent earlier this week. This website is Government funded and real teachers have put together videos and activities that align with our school curriculum, you would just need to click on the year group that your child is in and then select a subject that matches the timetable below. In addition, Phonics lessons, which again can align with the school curriculum and are endorsed by the Department for Education can be found by clicking on this link: [Phonics](#).

Reception

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Session 1	Phonics	Phonics	Phonics	Phonics	Phonics
Session 2	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy
Break	-	-	-	-	-
Session 3	Music	PE	Understanding the World	PE	PHSE
Session 4	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading
Lunch	-	-	-	-	-
Session 5	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths

Years 1 to 6

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Session 1	English	English	English	English	English



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Session 2	Phonics/ Spelling	Phonics/ Spelling	Phonics/ Spelling	Phonics/ Spelling	Phonics/ Spelling
Break	-	-	-	-	-
Session 3	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths
Session 4	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading
Lunch	-	-	-	-	-
Session 5	Science	History	PSHE	RE	Music

In addition, we recognise the importance of physical activity as part of the school day and recommend that Parents/Carers encourage their children to access [Fitter Future](#). All children have a login for this website but if you do not have access to your child's login then please email the year group email address for your child and one of the teaching team will be able to provide you with the details.

Finally, and most importantly, please do look after yourselves. We are not all in the same boat but we are all in the same storm and we need to work together to get through the difficult times ahead. We may not be 'open' for all but we are always here for all pupils and families; as always, please contact us if you need us.

Take care and stay well.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs. Siobhan Meredith

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