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Dear Parents and Carers

The lockdown continues and I hope that you are all as happy and healthy as you can be in the circumstances.

Our thoughts are with you during the week after Easter as everybody continues to cope as best they can. The good weather has provided some cheerfulness and several people have mentioned how much more they can hear birdsong now there is less human movement around them.

The staff have been working hard behind the scenes creating the weekly Learning-from-Home pages which can be found on the front page of our school website. By now you should all have been sent log-ins for Oxford Reading Buddies, Purple Mash, Times Tables Rock Stars and Mathletics. Please e-mail the school office at office@sghsprimary.co.uk. if you require help logging on to any of these sites. After Easter we are planning to send home certificates to children for Mathletics.

Also in the Learning from Home section, we have updated the 'keeping our minds and bodies healthy' page with a more recent 'useful resources' document, plus an excellent free information book explaining the coronavirus to children illustrated by Gruffalo illustrator Axel Scheffler.

We hope that by now you have established a rhythm and routine for home learning that suits you. If you need any further advice or help with this, again please get in touch by e-mail. Thank you to everyone who has sent us lovely examples of home learning. We enjoyed looking at these very much.

A message from Westminster to share with families

The coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak is of deep concern to everyone and many of you may be feeling concerned about the future or worried about your families, finances or food. We want to reassure you that Westminster are committed to supporting families, children and young people during this period. You can access up to date support, advice and updates to local services via our [Family Information Service](#). We will add any relevant updates from specific services as they become available. For general information from the council regarding COVID-19, please visit [Westminster's coronavirus advice and information pages](#). Here you can also [sign up to digital updates](#) for the latest on our coronavirus response, which are sent daily.

*If you are concerned about a child, please phone us on **020 7641 4000** or email AccesstoChildensServices@westminster.gov.uk. For urgent help as a result of COVID-19, please phone **020 7641 1222** or [email us](#).*

Your local council and the community are here to reassure and support you during these uncertain times.

School term would have started next Monday. We miss the children and please know that we are thinking of you all.

Let your light shine in the world as Jesus did, with compassion, thankfulness and hope.

Best wishes

Mrs Harris and Ms Slater