

Home Learning during School Closure

Dear Parents & Carers,

At Sun Hill Junior School we have thought long and hard about how we provide children with learning opportunities during school closure. It is particularly difficult as we do not know exactly how long it will be for. We also appreciate that we are will be facing different challenges of your own albeit going to work, trying to work from home and supporting your own family. Having had a short period to adjust to remote learning, I am writing to outline what it will look like moving forward.

We will continue to use Google Classroom as we feel this allows teachers and children to have direct contact with each other during the school closure. Each year group will set a 'priority' Maths, English and one other task each day. The maths and English tasks will be opportunities for children to consolidate and deepen their understanding of subjects that were previously taught during the year. We would hope that most children will try to complete these priority tasks each day and these are the tasks that the class teachers will respond to and mark. At the end of each week these tasks will be archived. Teachers will also be setting extra activities that your child can also engage with that are in addition to the 'priority' tasks.

If there is anyone who cannot access google classroom please contact the school office (adminoffice@sunhill-jun.hants.sch.uk) and we will make alternative arrangements to facilitate learning.

We will not be setting any additional work over the Easter break, however, there will be fun Easter activities on Google Classroom to enjoy.

As you will understand the school closure does mean that each year group's curriculum is suspended during this time. Please do not worry about this as all schools are in the same situation. When we return, we will address any gaps in learning and make sure the children continue where they left off. We ask that the children continue to read regularly (including using Bug Club), practise times tables (TT Rockstars), engage in the daily 'priority' tasks and do some exercise. You should also just enjoy spending time as a family. We are confident that by doing this, the children will be well placed on their return to progress with their learning.

We know that these are uncertain times but as always appreciate your continued support.

Stay safe.

Mrs Griffiths and the SHJS Team

