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Dear Parents/Carers,

Last week was one of the most challenging weeks the country has had to face and I suspect the next few weeks and months will continue in the same manner. I am incredibly proud of the staff at Magor Primary School who, as well as worrying about their own families' health, worked so hard to ensure we can provide some form of learning for pupils while we are closed and who are willing to man the hubs for emergency key workers. We will do our very best but Covid-19 does not discriminate and school staff are as at risk as the rest of the population. Please bear with us as we all adjust to this rapidly changing situation.

While school is closed learning will look very different, it is not practical to provide a full day's work for every child to complete as if they are in school. Staff met today to finalise a plan for the coming weeks including the manning of emergency key worker childcare hubs and the setting of work protocol.

Last week, we provided all pupils with a book and topic planning and ensured they all had access to Hwb learning. In a very few cases this has not worked and we are working with the local authority technicians to resolve this. If you are having any problems please email the school office.

The office emails will be monitored daily but there will be no-one available to answer the telephones.

Pupils should log into their hwb emails following the instructions that were sent out at the end of last week. In the main there will be suggested maths activities, topic activities, spelling lists and weekly reading to span the week. (There will be no work set during the Easter period.)

It has been agreed that staff will be setting work for their classes on a weekly basis via Hwb for the foreseeable future. This will be issued every Wednesday.

This is in addition to the suggested daily schedule also issued last week which contained a wealth of links to various educational and wellbeing related websites.

You do not need to submit your child's work to the class teacher. For example, spellings may be self-marked. However, any pieces of work your child is particularly proud of may be shared. If there is anything you are unsure of we will do our best to support you.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your kindness and support in this unusual and very worrying time.

Best Wishes

Mrs S Hamer  
Headteacher