

## **Five Ways Primary School**

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Reception Home Learning: due to closure on 04.01.21 and 05.01.21

Dear Parents.

I hope that you have all had a restful Christmas. We have enjoyed seeing your Evidence Me submissions over the break, especially the fun you were having in the snow! As you are now aware from Mrs Mander's letter, Five Ways Primary School is closed to all pupils on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January and Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January due to staff shortages from self-isolation, underlying medical issues and the impact of union advice to staff.

As before the Christmas break, we are going to continue to use Evidence Me to offer your children remote learning for the next two days. Both mornings at 9.00 am, you will receive a good morning video from your child's classteacher, this will be shared to you in the same way that we parent share observations of activities in class. This observation will have an at-home version of our morning routine.

At 9.30 am, the activities for the day will be shared in the same way. Any attachments you may need will be visible in the box called 'Documents & Links'. Monday you will have:

- A phonics activity
- A maths activity
- A creative activity with links to Physical Development.

## Tuesday you will have:

- A literacy activity
- A maths activity
- An activity linked to Understanding the World.

At 2.45pm a story will be sent via parent share for you to watch by following a link in the 'Documents & Links' box. There will be a few simple questions about the story for your child to answer. We ask that at least one observation a day is sent back to staff. These can include photographs or videos of your child completing the daily activities or answering the story time questions.

We are aware that some parents had difficulty sharing videos to us, I tried to resolve these where possible but unfortunately, I was not able to in all circumstances. I have















been advised that the best way to share a video is to record your clip directly through the app. If you have tried this previously and it has not been successful it is advised that you video a short clip (max. 2 mins) through your camera and upload it through the web browser and not the app. Please do not worry if you are unable to load a video clip, a photograph is enough!

We look forward to seeing your home learning. We thank you again for your support and understanding in this difficult time.

Your sincerely,

Mrs Young and the entire Reception team.













