



# Alfriston School



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## Newsletter - 3rd April 2020

We are aiming to send out regular newsletters despite the school being closed. As well as sharing important news we want to share pictures of the children's learning. If you have any photos of your child learning and a quote to go with the photo, and you are happy for them to be published in the newsletter, please email them to [bursar@alfriston.e-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@alfriston.e-sussex.sch.uk).

### Home Learning Update

We are now at the Easter holidays and the children have been learning at home for 2 weeks. We thought this would be the ideal time to provide you with some updates and a reminder of the expectations. Please note that we will not be setting work during school holiday time, also the teachers will not be answering any messages you send.

#### **Learning update**

Over the next few days if your child is in **Ruby**, **Sapphire** or **Emerald** Class you will receive a login for your child for MyMaths. After the Easter break all Maths work will be set using this platform to enable teachers to monitor the children's work.

#### **Expectations**

We aim to ensure that teaching and learning continue as effectively as possible in the light of school closure. We are committed to learning as a partnership between children, teachers and parents/carers.

We have an expectation that, during term time, work will be:

- set daily on the Learning Platform <https://www.alfriston.e-sussex.sch.uk/website> and MyMaths <https://www.mymaths.co.uk/> (with your child's individual logins)
  - appropriate to year group needs
  - completed by all children.

#### How can parents/carers help?

- Ensure your child can access relevant websites and knows their logins.
- Check the Learning Platform and MyMaths to discuss with your child what work has been set.
- Talk with your child about their work and the importance of completing the work set.
  - Help your child to manage their time (including break and snack opportunities).
  - Praise your child for effort and successful completion of the work.
- Contact your child's class teacher via the 'messages' tab on the Learning Platform if there are queries about the work or further help is required - teachers are available between 8:45am and 3:15pm each school day.
- If there are any other issues or you cannot message the teacher then you can also email [bursar@alfriston.e-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@alfriston.e-sussex.sch.uk).

### **Safeguarding**

If you have any concerns about a child (or children) while the school is closed please contact us on [dsl@alfriston.e-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:dsl@alfriston.e-sussex.sch.uk).

During school hours you can also call the school mobile 07851 959872. Our Designated Safeguarding Leads are Lindsey Hudson, Alice Foster & Tanya Fitzgerald.

You can also contact SPOA (Single Point of Advice) on 01273 335905.

### **ADVICE ABOUT KEEPING SAFE ONLINE**

We are in unprecedented times. As schools continue to be closed and people are confined to their homes due to the global coronavirus pandemic, we are using the internet and online services more now than perhaps ever before. Being online is providing a lifeline for everyone in society from the old to the young, workers and learners, and the vulnerable and curious. This is probably, therefore, a good time to remind ourselves of a few key points to keep us all safe online:

- Talk to your children about their technology use.
- Embrace the benefits of social media to help us get through difficult times.
  - Be mindful of online contacts and connections that may be scams.
  - Keep personal information private.
  - Think before you share.

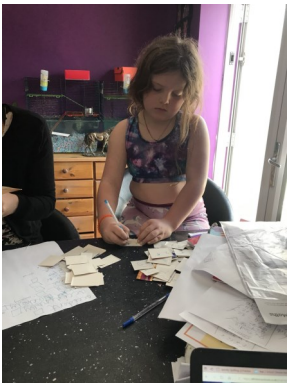
### **CLASS+ Support for Families**

During this period of uncertainty, the ISEND CLASS+ team continue to support families of children with Autism. The team are able to provide information, resources and advice for parents/carers. CLASS+ can be contacted by calling 01273 336887, your contact details will be taken and passed to the CLASS+ team who will then get back to you.

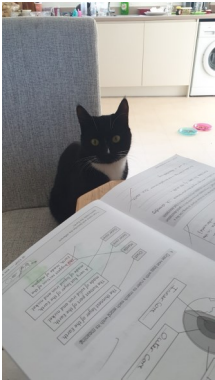
In addition they run a weekly advice line every **Monday 10am - 1pm** on the above number, when parents/carers can talk directly to a CLASS+ practitioner.



A very busy first week and even the kitten tried to join in with the learning!



Having some friends living with them at the moment is great as they are helping with the learning.



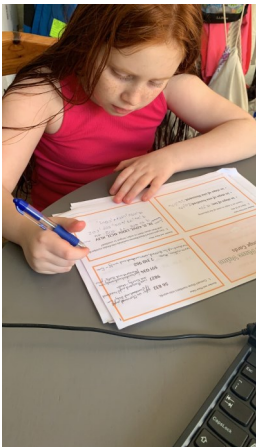
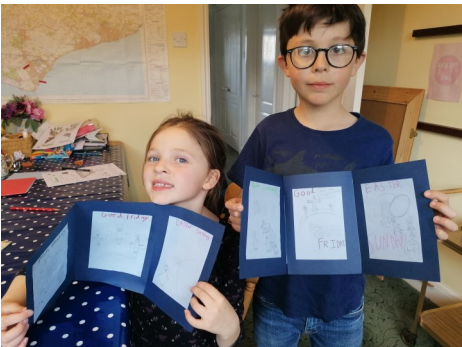
Busy doing her work at mummy's desk!



Making some amazing clay models after watching the Great Pottery Show Down for inspiration!



Having a lovely time working together on each others projects.



Working hard on her home learning!





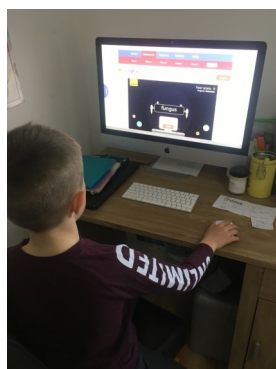
Learning indoor and out and enjoying the sunshine.



Busy writing her Greek god story.



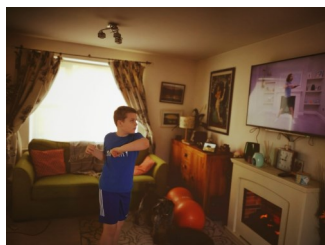
Science with glow in the dark snow!



It's been such a busy week.



Enjoying a morning workout with Joe Wicks and then something creative.



Working hard across the curriculum.



Fun art painting fairy houses.



Having built their very own school fort the boys are using it to do their school work!

We hope you all have a happy and safe Easter!

