



This week	<p>Dear Parents,</p> <p>Thank you again this week for the marvellous support you are providing to the children learning at home. We are amazed at everything you are managing to juggle at this challenging time for families.</p> <p>This week in school we have been reviewing our support for children learning at home and will be introducing some changes from Monday, please read the relevant section of our newsletter.</p> <p>With children spending more time at home and parents juggling so many different demands there has been a recent national increase in accidents in the home. Children are rewarding, stimulating and fun, but looking after them can be stressful and challenging. To ensure children remain safe and healthy parents may have to consider the home environment. This workshop highlights areas to consider and how to have a safe and happy home!</p> <p>If you would you like to know more about keeping your small people safer at home please take a look at the Warwickshire Family Service workshop. You can book your free ticket at https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/safe-home-happy-home-online-parent-workshop-tickets-134637816333?aff=</p> <p>Best wishes, Mrs Bradbury</p>
Thank you	<p>Thank you</p> <p>Thank you to The Speedy Bear who are based at Baginton. They have kindly donated four free laptops to us. These have now been loaned to some of our families who were struggling to access online learning. If parents have any old laptops knocking around, they can donate them to this company who can refurbish them and put a new operating system on them ready to help those children who are struggling.</p> <p>https://www.thespeedybear.com/</p>
All children	<p>Ideas from Warwick University</p> <p>If you are looking for some interesting projects and task to keep your family busy please take a look at the ideas from Warwick University. Many of the ideas are more suitable for Park Hill children but there are ideas for all ages of children.</p> <p>https://warwick.ac.uk/about/community/projects/educationresources</p>
Thorns	<p>Fruit Scheme</p> <p>I am pleased to inform you that the national fruit scheme will start again from Monday 25th January. Thorns children will again be given a piece of fruit for a midmorning snack and should not bring in anything from home.</p>

Park Hill**Online Assemblies**

Next week there will be two home assemblies for children at Park Hill on Monday and Friday. Miss Biggs would love to share any pictures and photos of what children have been getting up to at home especially if anyone tried any bird watching or making any of the bird feeder ideas from our last assembly.

All children**Reading at Home**

Oak Academy and the National Literacy trust have created a virtual school library where children can listen to some brilliant authors sharing ideas and activities. Each week a book will be shared for free and this week's book and author are Jacqueline Wilson and The Story of Tracey Beaker. This can be found here: <https://library.thenational.academy>.

Can parents at Thorns please remember to return reading books before taking any new ones, thank you. Parents are also reminded to take a book of the correct colour band for their child. Moving children onto a new book prematurely may deter children from reading as the text becomes too challenging too quickly or prevent them from developing the wider reading skills relating to understanding their text. Reading is not a race or a competition!

Remote Learning Support**Changes to Remote Learning Support from Monday 25th January**

From next week children in Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 are invited to join us for a class meeting with their teacher or teaching assistant on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Children in Reception are invited to join their class teacher for one meeting each week; the early reading sessions will continue as now. These class meetings are designed to keep the link between home and school live and will enable children to meet with their peers. The sessions will focus on learning and supporting children's social and emotional wellbeing.

The meetings are at the same time each day, to try and help parents to remember when and where, and will last for between 20 and 30 minutes. Unfortunately it has not been possible to schedule the sessions without any overlap due to the availability of staff. If your family is affected by this we suggest that the children take turns to attend their class meetings.

A zoom link for the class meetings will be sent to all families over the weekend, I hope that your child will be able to join us.

Beech class on Tuesdays at 12.45pm	Dudley Class at 11.00am
Cedar class on Mondays at 12.45pm	Greville Class at 10.00am
	Catesby class at 10.30am
Oak class at 9.30am	Fawkes class at 11.30am
Ash class at 10.00am	Eliot class at 2.45pm
Maple class at 11.00am	Shakespeare class at 2.15pm
Chestnut class at 12.00pm	Leofric class at 9.30am
	Godiva class at 9.00am

Assemblies will be moving to Friday mornings. Next week there will be two assemblies for children at home, on Monday and on Friday mornings.