



Newsletter week beginning 13th April 2020

### Dear families...

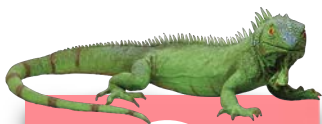
We hope that the second week of the Easter holidays has gone as smoothly as it possibly can for you under the circumstances. This week many of you took the time to share the fantastic learning you've done about the NHS - this was a project that we felt passionate about offering to all of our children and was our way of letting NHS staff know that we are grateful for all they do. If you, someone in your household or a close relative is currently working in the NHS then we would like to genuinely thank you from the bottom of our hearts. You are our heroes! The NHS Learning Project we created was even mentioned by Dr Rangan Chatterjee (celebrity TV doctor) on Twitter and was also shared by Nicky Campbell (Radio 5Live presenter) and has been used by hundreds of schools up and down the country. If you haven't seen the project yet and would like to try it with your children you can find it [HERE](#). For those of you who are also classed as key workers and playing a central role in keeping society functioning then we would also like to take this opportunity to thank you. It is great to see that our country is placing NHS workers and key workers as genuine heroes - it is totally justified and well deserved.

In these strange times next week sees the official start of a new school term and, whilst we are not currently open, we would encourage you all to be doing a minimum of 2-3 hours of home learning a day with your child/children if at all possible. We know that for many of you this will be a challenge and a source of great stress and so if your child gets stuck on an area of learning try not to worry too much and simply make a note of what they found hard. When we get back to school we work relentlessly to cover all of these areas.

Next week we will be providing an update on home learning via a letter to every family so please look out for it.

Stay safe and stay well.

Kind regards  
Steve Taylor  
Executive Headteacher



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### MR FRANTASTIC!

Mr FranTastic goes all 'Kung Fu' on us this week...

**Weekly Workout 4**  
[here...](#)

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### CHESTER ZOO

Watch Live at 10am every day. Catch up if you missed today's live stream.

[Virtual Zoo Day](#)

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### LOCKDOWN RECIPE OF THE WEEK

An easy recipe idea with ingredients most people might already have without going out shopping.

[Saucy Sausage Pasta.](#)

Please send your favourite lockdown recipes to [learningprojects@robinhoodmat.co.uk](mailto:learningprojects@robinhoodmat.co.uk)

### Yenton Primary



Some real talent showing through at Yenton with some amazing lockdown artwork.

### Ulverley School



Some campfire fun at Ulverley with marshmallows and chocolate buttons. Yum!

### Robin Hood Academy



A Van Gogh prodigy creates a stunning copy of 'Sunflowers'

### Cedars Academy



A great self portrait. Miss Harris would be really proud. You can really see the likeness. A great smile too!

## What's been happening this week?

**Click on the picture below** to see what's been going on in our schools and at home this week. Please send in photos of your children working or showing off the creative things they've been doing. They are lovely to see. Everyone in all the schools are wishing your children well and missing them.



## Useful FREE things to use at home with your children

To help kids who are learning from home, educational software company Rosetta Stone is offering schoolchildren **free access to its popular language courses** for three months.

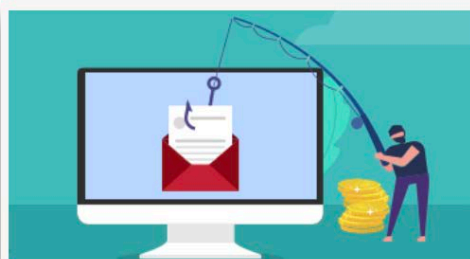
For parents why not pick up a new language yourself with <https://www.duolingo.com/learn>

**Everyday Earth** - Join the adventures of the **EveryDay Earth Corps** in exploring our landscapes through **STEM!** Everyday Earth is an interactive video earth science based curriculum supplement. Each course lets students choose where and how they should explore, introducing Earth Science concepts such as "How water changes Earth's landscape" or "How are rocks formed?"

**Early Years Software** - We create independent, objective focused educational games specifically for use by children aged 3-5 in Primary School/Nursery settings. We have a wide range of educational games available which help all kinds of pupils to discover, nurture, train, shape and sharpen their young imaginative minds. <https://www.earlylearn.co.uk> 1 month free premium access

If a Mr FranTastic Workout isn't enough, **check out what the crazy kids across the pond are upto** with **GoNoodle** - It engages 14 million kids every month with movement and mindfulness videos created by child development experts. Available for free at school, home, and everywhere kids are!

## Useful information for parents



**Warning. 15+ coronavirus scams to watch out for**  
Our tips on how to protect yourself



### Online radicalisation - Parent/guardian information and support

We recognise that this is a difficult time for parents and guardians and that the **Coronavirus** is having a significant impact on young people and families across the world. The closure of schools means that opportunities for children to talk to and play with friends will be limited to online interaction. This will almost certainly lead to children spending more time online. Parents working from home may not be able to monitor their children's use of devices as they usually would.

Unfortunately, whilst rare, there are negative influencers and online groomers who use the internet, social media and online gaming to spread their extreme ideas, which children can be exposed to. Some of these ideas may be considered radical or extreme and when a person starts to support or be involved in them, this is called radicalisation.

Our experience of radicalisers is that they may link their extreme views to the global, national or individual response to Coronavirus which could be shown through films, images and discussions as:

- Conspiracy theories
- Blaming other people for the virus and its impact on life.
- Hate against groups because of race, religion, sexuality and gender.

Radicalisers will want as many people as possible to believe their ideas and sometimes encourage them to take action, which might break the law. This can be how people are drawn into terrorism.

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Robin Hood Academy  
"We aim high and reach for the stars"

## Family Circle Time Lessons

