



# MELLOR PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who has managed to accommodate their child/children at home. The Government guidance is clear that if children can safely be cared for at home, then they should be.

The team have been working hard to create and modify a variety of learning opportunities to support you at home during this difficult time in the form of Learning Projects with a common theme across all year groups.

## **The Learning Project Overview**

In creating the [Learning Projects](#) we fully acknowledge that they cannot replace the quality of learning your child normally receives at school, however, our complete focus has been on creating a set of projects that all children can access whilst at home.

We are not anticipating that you will be teaching your children, these projects are to help reduce the anxiety and frustration that may occur. You do not have to follow these projects and you may already have some wonderful ideas to work on with your children, perhaps following their own interests.

## **What are the aims of the Learning Projects?**

- To create age specific learning opportunities for children.
- To create a resource for parents that is easy to access and use - the focus is on parents being able to help deliver the content or children accessing it independently.
- Key learning has links to the National Curriculum.
- To facilitate some learning at home during the enforced shutdown.
- To enable families to focus on a joint topic and theme to promote family wide learning. They have a common theme across different year groups.
- To provide some structure and focus to each day during the enforced shutdown.
- To centralise online learning resources and links into an easy to manage format for families.

### **How do I use the Learning Projects?**

Each week we will upload on to our website the Learning Project for the week.

As a parent, your first step is to select the age range linked to the year group appropriate for your child. For some children, this may not be the year group they are currently in.

### **What else can I do?**

Also on the [website](#) there is a regularly updated document with a whole host of ideas and links to things you can do. There are so many companies offering free services and many are struggling to cope with demand and this is why we have collated this ever growing document.

Use this time to focus on life skills rather than focusing on purely academics: tying shoelaces; polishing shoes; learning to cook; sew a button on; telling the time; gardening. The list is endless and they are all useful skills!

### **What else is in the pipeline?**

We are exploring the use of technology to deliver and facilitate distance teaching & learning. You will appreciate we are all on a steep learning curve and therefore we want to make this as useful to you as possible.

We urge you all to follow the latest guidance with regards to no unnecessary movement and regrettably, we ask that you do not use our playground or field during this time.

Best wishes to you all and your families,

Think Safe, Act Safe, Be Safe



Jim Nicholson  
Headteacher