

Hello all,

I hope that you are all well and managing to keep busy (and finding time to rest too!) It has been over 3 weeks since nursery and schools closed and I just wanted to check in to see how you were all getting on.

Thank you to everyone who has uploaded observations to Evidence Me; it's lovely to see what you've been up to. I will be checking every day for new observations uploaded by parents and will suggest some ways to extend your child's learning in the notes section. ***If anyone is having problems logging on to Evidence Me, or has not received an invitation email, please let me know (cheathfield3.209@lgflmail.org).*** After the Easter holidays, I will be posting story-times and songs through Evidence Me, with suggested activities for your child, so it would be great to have as many children as possible able to access this.

I aim to continue the Nursery Newsletter while we are away from school, so we can all celebrate the learning that is going on at home (and get some ideas too!) I will email this out to all parents soon. Please let me know if you don't want your child's photo included.

For any parents whose children are worried about coronavirus and why they can't see their friends right now, there are a few online resources that could help you explain it to your child. The first is quite detailed and comprehensive, while the second is much more simple and available in different languages.

<https://nosycrowcoronavirus.s3-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/>

[Coronavirus_ABookForChildren.pdf](#)

<https://www.mindheart.co/descargables>

I have put a few links to activities at the end of this email if you want some inspiration. Also, if you have any activity ideas/videos/tips, etc, that have been a success in your household, email me and let me know, so I can share it with other parents.

These are strange times, and what is most important right now is for our kids to feel safe and loved. Talking to our children, reading books, playing I-Spy out of the window, or hide and seek around the living room. These are all great learning opportunities and for us to share special moments. Follow their interests and see where it takes you!

As always, keep in touch. I am here for you if you need any support, want any ideas or want to share what you have been doing; don't be shy!

Best wishes
Charlotte.

Resources

- On the Kender website there is a remote learning area with lots of resources suitable for nursery age children (see the nursery folder). I will be adding more next week.

<https://www.kender.lewisham.sch.uk/news/?pid=3&nid=1&storyid=1245>

- Some parents have been asking for recommendations of exercise videos that are suitable for nursery age children. My children and I have been enjoying Andy's Wild Workouts on cBeebies as well as Cosmic Kids yoga on youtube. I've heard that Joe Wicks morning workouts have been popular too!

<https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga>

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- On the app called 'maketime2play' you can enter your child/children's ages and it will give you lots of different fun ideas. There is also a link to PlayWales which has a number of fun practical ideas too.

<https://www.maketime2play.co.uk/play-right-now/play-picker/>

<https://twitter.com/PlayWales/status/1242099019515641857/photo/1>

- There are many online book sources for children, both for shared reading and phonics books. The below link has a list of these. The link beneath this is for audible who are offering free children's audiobooks for the children to listen to. There is also a link to a list of good stories for Reception age children that are on youtube with the accounts so you can access these. The last link is to a new youtube channel (Tala Stories) who will be uploading stories regularly.

<https://www.kender.lewisham.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=1396&type=pdf>

<https://stories.audible.com/start-listen>

<https://www.kender.lewisham.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=1551&type=pdf>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJuZE8O--bqiM4j7eovEzuA>

- Lastly, although you can't get to the farm at the moment, you can watch it online. Follow the link below for tours of Wroxham Barns (twice weekly) and videos of animals. You can also watch pandas, tigers, penguins and koalas on live cams from Edinburgh zoo at the link below.

<https://www.facebook.com/WroxhamBarns/>

<https://www.edinburghzoo.org.uk/webcams/panda-cam/#pandacam>