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Dear Children,

I hope you have had a nice week, getting used to your new way of living at the moment. As you probably know, from what the Prime Minister, Boris Johnson, has said, it may be a long time before we are allowed to open schools again. Nothing like this has ever happened before in our lifetimes!

This means that a lot of you will need to carry on learning at home. Your teachers have sent you home with an exercise book and reading books last week to help get you started. They will start uploading weekly learning work for you on our website and communicating with you through Marvellous Me over the time we are away from school. You will find your set tasks in Pupils – Home Learning – Year 3,4,5 or 6 – Week 1

So, starting from Monday 30th March your teachers will upload the following on a Monday morning for the week:

- 3 literacy task
- 3 maths tasks
- Daily 5-a-day, maths and SPAG
- Spelling activities

In addition to these tasks all children in all year groups have been given access to 'Reading Plus'. This is an excellent online programme that helps you to read more fluently and learn new words. Your teacher will be able to track and share with you the progress you will make. We would like you to complete one reading task and one vocabulary task each week. When you first log on you will get a range of tasks that are designed to work out the best level for you.

To get started please follow the instructions below;

- 1: Log in, visit <https://student.readingplus.com/>**
- 2: Enter site code:RPSHIRL1**
- 3: Username- <Lastname><Forename Initial> (Joe Bloggs would be bloggsj)**
- 4: Password- qwerty**
- 5: Watch the video and follow the instructions to get started.**

*If there are two members of a family with the same initial you put a full stop before the initial (bloggs.j)
If a student already has a login they can continue to use their old account which doesn't follow these rules.*

If your teacher feels you might be better reading books from a different online programme or real books at home with your parents, they will let you know via Marvellous Me.

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Please make sure you continue with your 'Love of Reading' books at home or listening to stories on 'Audible', which are free. Information about this is on the website.

As well as core learning we would like you to continue with your project learning. A sheet with a range of learning tasks and resources has been uploaded to the main page for your year group. We will also be uploading a range of learning activities to the main school home learning section for anyone in the school to have a go at. This week there will be a sports challenge. In the following weeks we may add music listening, computing tasks, art challenges or safety sessions.

Your teacher will send you Marvellous Me messages throughout the weeks to encourage and remind you to complete your tasks. We would like you to email us some of your fantastic activities that you complete each week. Please choose **ONE** each week you are really proud of, take a photo and send it to your year group email. On a Friday, we will upload those we are really impressed with the Head teachers award section as well as send out Head Teachers awards via Marvellou Me.

Year group emails are as follows-

Year 3- y3teachers@shirleyschools.co.uk
Year 4- y4teachers@shirleyschools.co.uk
Year 5- y5teachers@shirleyschools.co.uk
Year 6- y6teachers@shirleyschools.co.uk

Don't forget Times Tables Rock stars!!!! Your teacher can monitor how well you are doing and I will be awarding the most improved for each year group on a Friday.

Please remember that although you may be learning at home, you are still part of the SJS family, and you continue to make us proud. We know that this will be a very different time for everyone. We know that it will be a strange time because you love learning and you will miss being with your friends and everyone at school. The health and well-being of our SJS family and your families must come first during these difficult times. Take time to get some fresh air, take part in Joe Wicks, play a board game with your family, colour or paint. There are lots of other activities you can do along with the learning we set you each week. We will all miss you very much, and are already looking forward to opening up our gates again, hopefully soon!

One final thought - Please, please, please ... do not drive your parents and carers up the wall!

Your very, very proud Head Teacher Mrs Hixon

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