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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year to all of you, we hope you had a safe and enjoyable Christmas break in whatever form that took.

As you are aware, school is now only open to vulnerable children and those who are children of keyworkers. This means we now have to move to teaching remotely. We will be using Microsoft Teams to communicate activities for home learning. Below is a small timetable to show which activities will be added to Microsoft Teams on any given day, this will begin on Monday. It also shares the days where we will conduct video calls with the children. The times of these will be communicated to you in due course.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Optional extras
Foundation stage – all tasks due in the day they are set	Phonics English UW	Phonics Maths General class video catch up from previous week's work	Phonics English with video input Art	Phonics Maths UW	Phonics Maths PE task set, no handing in	Education City Purple Mash BBC teach KS1 music Share a story

At the start of the academic year, you received a document sharing your child's Microsoft Office 365 credentials. The letter asked you to change the password to one that is relevant to you. We can see many of you have done this but if you need some assistance, please email Mr Windisch on ict@aldryngton.wokingham.sch.uk and he will be able to reset this for you.

Once logged onto Microsoft Teams, please select 'Teams' > 'Class HSBG' and 'Assignments' which is on the grey bar at the top of the screen. Here, you will find a list of Understanding the World (UW), Art and PE activities for your child to have a go at. Please click on each one to follow the instructions or access any resources we may have added to assist in completing the task. Your child has also been added to a second, smaller group e.g. HS Grp1 or BG Grp 1 etc. This is where you will find the Maths and Literacy tasks following the same procedure as above.

Some activities will require work to be submitted, however this will not be the case for PE. To submit your child's work, you are able to take photos of what they have completed and upload this to the appropriate assignment. We would love to see what the children have worked on during this time. In order for children to make good progress, particularly in their writing, please let your child have a go at the activities as independently as possible. For example, allow children to sound out words they are writing independently as this is the best way for them to learn the skills in this area. Don't worry if words aren't spelt correctly as it's all about your child trying to hear the sounds for themselves!



Feedback will be given either as a direct comment from a member of EYFS staff or a general announcement on the 'Class HSBG' page.

Finally, we will be opening the channel to allow questions related to school tasks to be asked and answered. This will be between 9:30am - 10:00am and will start on Monday 11th January.

We hope this information is helpful to you and that we will see you soon at school when it is safe to do so.

Many thanks,

Miss Slade and Miss Goodchild