



# Ark Conway Primary Academy

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## Head's Message

The summer term has started and is quite unlike any we have ever seen before. In place of the usual programme of summer activities we have a very different picture. I am extremely impressed with the way that you are all adapting to this new way of working and I would like to reassure you that we are here to help and support you in any way that we can. I know that all of the teachers are enjoying the weekly phone calls and staying in touch with you all, but please don't hesitate to contact us if there is anything more you feel that we can help with.

## Home Learning Expectations

I would love to take this opportunity to repeat that ***we are not expecting parents and children to replicate the school day or the school experience.*** We are very aware of the reality in the current situation and that families will be trying to cope with multiple demands, which is why the timetable is a suggested timetable. How this is approached in every home is likely to be very different.

## Home Learning Content

Thank you all so much for the enthusiasm you have shown to home learning. It is really important that children try to maintain as much routine as possible during these unusual times and it will really help them when the time comes to return to school, whenever that may be.

Thank you also for your feedback on our home learning provision. In response to some of the feedback we are going to make a few changes to make the experience even more useful.

- All children will be receiving their individual unique passwords for the Google Classroom over the course of the next week during their weekly phone call with the teacher.
- We are going to upload the home learning to the website in addition to the Google Classroom, giving everyone a choice of how to best access the work. You can use the

website to access the work whilst giving feedback or messages on the Google Classroom. It would be helpful for us if all children could complete the quiz each week in Google Classroom as it enables us to give feedback.

- The home learning materials will be available from 8.30am on Monday mornings. Although some may be visible prior to this, this is the latest it should appear.
- Useful links for the Arts, PE, Mental Health and Wellbeing are also included on the website and in the Google Classroom.

## Home Learning Packs

We have had a number of requests for physical copies of the learning materials. We have listened to the feedback that you have given, as well as the replies to our online technology survey. In response we have tried to ensure that everything on the website can be completed without printing it first. You should only need paper and pens. It is really important that physical packs are requested only as a last resort due to the difficulties we have in not only creating the packs, but also delivering them. One staff member is currently delivering all of these on foot. Thank you in advance for your understanding with this. We will of course continue to provide the packs where it is necessary.

## Community Classroom

Some children continue to attend our community classroom and have been working hard, not only on their home learning tasks but also on their creative projects. These photos are a great example of the experiences they have been having while attending the community classroom. I would like to express my sincerest thanks to all staff who have supported the community classroom, be it through attending school every day, or working in the background to provide resources and materials.



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