



## Well done! You've survived day 1

The teaching staff have been overwhelmed by the comments and effort you have all gone to today to support your children. We've had lots of photos of hard work and emails from parents with successful (and a handful of unsuccessful tasks). Last night, Boris was promoting the benefits of being outside and physical exercise. It's been great to see so many of you joining in with Joe Wicks this morning at 9am. Same again tomorrow.

Just a few notes to consider over the next week.

Don't put too much pressure on yourselves and your children. Creative activities are just as important as core subjects like Maths and English. Whilst the weather is nice, get outdoors - digging in the garden, making an obstacle course or a treasure hunt around the house and playing with a washing up bowl of water is always a winner for younger ones too. Chalk on fences or painting outside keeps the mess out of the house too! I'm sure by the end of this more of you will embrace the mess and learn to love glitter.

If you're trying to balance work and childcare be realistic. Schedule 'Uncle iPad' time for when you have calls to make. Core subjects will probably require more supervision and support so try to do these whilst you have a free window.

Study Ladder (not Nursery) - we've had a few issues with people logging on (or staying logged on). This is all new to the staff! We've had just under a week to figure out how it works and what to do alongside the craziness of the last week. So please bare with us we have never worked in this way before. I'm confident that the usernames and passwords are accurate. I've had reports of people not being able to log on through a chrome browser, but could through internet explorer, yet at the same time I could log in via chrome. So my advice would be try both browsers. Also, unselect the 'stay signed in' box. I'm going to email them tonight and see if they can help. Don't worry though, I know it's frustrating but pick another activity to do from their pack until we can get it sorted.

If you are having problems with Study Ladder, please let me know and I'll be in touch tomorrow.

Remember the 2m distance rule and keep washing your hands. Say hello to the children from us all!

Mrs Drake