



Hawes Side Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers

Yesterday was St. George's Day and the children were very creative in remembering England's patron saint by making the national flag. They searched well to find all the resources they could to help them complete their flag with pride!



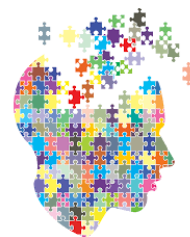
Take care and be safe everyone



Mrs Boothroyd

Homework – Can you believe we are now moving into week 5 of our home learning projects! All the information you need is located on our school website. We have some hard copies available at the school office for collection if this suits you better. Please call school on 01253 402541 if you plan to collect a hard copy so that the office can be staffed. Hope you are all well and keeping safe

Learning Projects Week 5 – Environment



Remember to try our '[Just for fun The HSA Challenge - We Challenge you!](#)'

We also have a [special NHS project](#) for you to do over the coming weeks to show support for these brilliant key workers

If you have any questions please email:

homelearning@hawes-side.co.uk

Alternatively, use this email to keep us updated by sending in pictures of your work for us to display on our website.

Stay home. Protect the NHS. Save lives

Corona Kindness

Services offered for residents by Blackpool County Council. Please visit their [website](https://www.blackpool.gov.uk/Campaigns/Coronavirus/Corona-Kindness.aspx) for more information (<https://www.blackpool.gov.uk/Campaigns/Coronavirus/Corona-Kindness.aspx>)



Digital devices - On Sunday 19 April, the Government announced support for remote education to help schools and families who are having to adapt and work in different ways during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. This scheme is only available in specific cases as detailed in the guidance at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/get-help-with-technology-for-remote-education-during-coronavirus-covid-19#who-is-eligible-to-receive-digital-devices-and-internet-access>

Virtual Office



**Please note that the Academy's office will only be open for planned visitors
This includes key worker parents whose children are in school
and wish to collect them early**

**Please ring 01253 402541 to inform us of the time you plan to arrive so
that we can arrange for someone in school to meet you at Reception**

Thank you

Take care everyone and please stay safe



Lunches – We have now have the government guidance with regard to the national voucher scheme. This is only available where a catering provision is not available. As we have a catering provision, we will continue to provide the grab and go system, now, on a 5-day cycle to limit the need of collection. Collections can be undertaken on a Monday from 11.30 – 12.30 p.m.

Hawes Side Academy Website – Do not forget to visit our website to see all of our latest news. Just click on www.hawes-side.co.uk/news and useful information.



Blackpool SEND Service Newsletter

Supporting schools and home learning for children and young people with Special Educational Needs.

21st April 2020

The Coronavirus outbreak means that parents and carers of young people with SEND are facing uncertainty. We know settings/schools are on the front line and are playing a hugely important role in keeping communities going in these challenging times. If your child is not able to attend their setting/school, we want to support you with some practical home learning advice, hints and suggestions through these newsletters and on the Blackpool Local Offer page on Facebook.

If there is any information that you would like to see on these newsletters or if you would like any advice or support with any aspect of home learning, please contact us by email: inclusions.team@blackpool.gov.uk.

Home routines

- Establish a routine, possibly creating a timetable with your child to include their interests.
- Be flexible and do not put yourselves under pressure.
- Chunk activities with movement breaks.
- Use Social Stories to help children understand what is happening <https://theautismeducator.ie/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/The-Corona-Virus-Free-Printable-Updated-2-The-Autism-Educator-1-1.pdf>

Corona Kindness

Blackpool Council is committed to maintaining essential services and protecting the most vulnerable members of our community. We have established a community Corona Kindness helpline for those who want to offer help and for those that need help.

The services that we can help with include:

- Food shopping
- Medical supplies
- Social isolation and loneliness
- Dog walking

If you need to access any of those things or you feel you can help, please email

helpneeded@blackpool.gov.uk or helpoffered@blackpool.gov.uk.

If you need help call 0808 1963080.

<https://www.blackpool.gov.uk/Campaigns/Coronavirus/Corona-Kindness.aspx>

Feelings

It is important for children and young people to be able to express their feelings during this confusing time.

- <https://beaconschoolsupport.co.uk/parents/emotions%20card%20game.pdf>
- https://beaconschoolsupport.co.uk/parents/supporting_children_at_home.php

CAMHs have created an amazing library of free resources for you to access

<https://www.camhs-resources.co.uk>

Supporting your child's play at home

<http://ipaworld.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/IPA-Play-in-Crisis-Booklet-for-parents-and-carers-2020.pdf>

Sensory

Some children and young people with sensory processing difficulties do not like to wash their hands. Here are some ideas to help with this.

Smell - try using unperfumed soap

Tactile - try using a wet towel with soap soaked in to wipe hands on or dry soap that dissolves in their hands.

Visual - Try a soap that does not make bubbles like a gel or paper soap. You can try wearing sunglasses or hats to reduce glare as well as wash your hands in different environments.

Speech, Language and Communication

Talking to your child during everyday activities such as bath time, meal times and getting dressed, really helps them to learn language. It draws your child's attention to the things and sounds in their environment - developing vocabulary, listening skills and awareness of their surroundings.



Learning

Read stories together. There are many sites available with links to learning resources.

In this section we will share support sites to help with learning.

<https://www.studyladder.co.uk/games/literacy/au-foundation/english-reading-foundations-1924>

Learning to spell in a fun and active way can really help children and by working on the same words in a different way everyday, they are more likely to retain them and show them in their writing.

<https://readingeggs.co.uk/articles/2016/05/19/homeschool-spelling-activities/>



HM Government



CORONAVIRUS: PUBLIC INFORMATION

The Government and NHS are well prepared to deal with this virus.

You can help too.

Germs can live on some surfaces for hours.

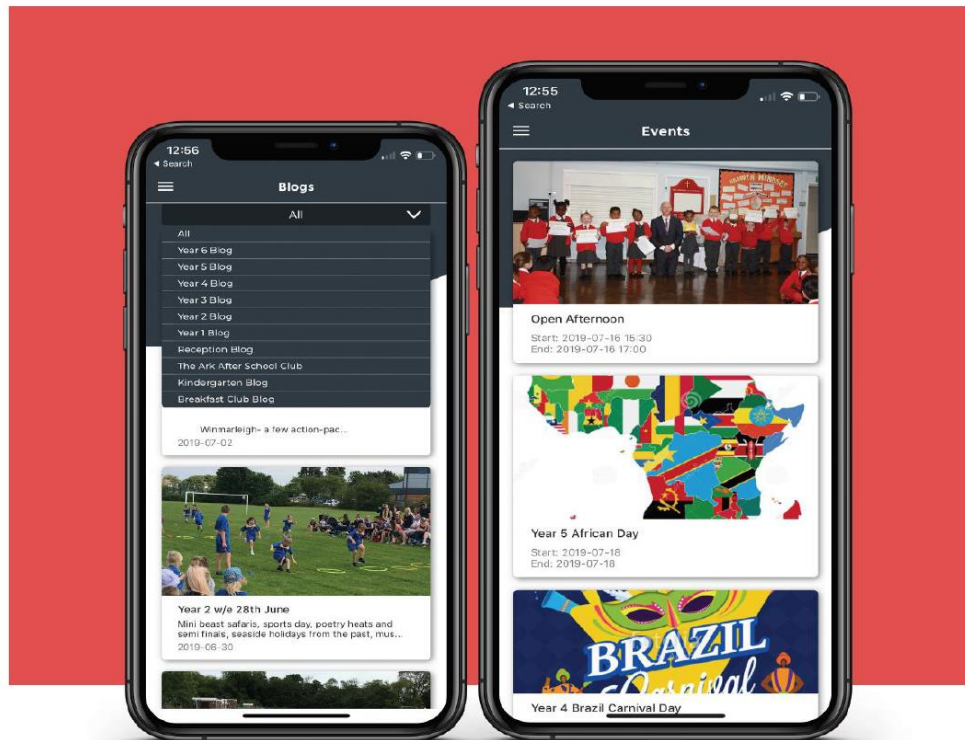
To protect yourself and others:

- Always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.
- Bin the tissue, and to kill the germs, wash your hands with soap and water, or use a sanitiser gel.
- If you have arrived back from China within 14 days follow the specific advice for returning travellers.

This is the best way to slow the spread of almost any germs, including Coronavirus.

Find out more at [gov.uk/coronavirus](https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus)

Introducing our new App...



Here at Hawes Side Academy we now have our very own App! This can be downloaded on both apple and android devices and is a great way to keep up to date with everything going on at school.

Through the app you can access the school calendar, latest news and announcements, which will come to your device as notifications. All of which we hope will help to support communication with our school community and keep everyone up to date!

The App is free to download and easy to use. Simply search for 'Hawes Side Academy' in the App Store or Play Store and download to get started. That's it you are ready to go!

We hope you find the new app useful.



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