Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you are keeping well and that the activities provided so far have supported you and your family in making the transition to 'home learning'. As it is clear we will be in this situation for at least a few more weeks, we have made the decision to provide more specific learning activities, in hope this will support you and your child when completing them. However, these are suggested activities and we would not expect all to be completed. You are, of course, welcome to complete activities on a different day than suggested.

You will see in the attached PDF document (YR1.2_Home_Learning_WB_27.4.20) that there are a number of sections.

1. A set of daily activities for the week including an activity for Maths, English and one other subject.

- Please do not feel your child must complete all of these activities. They are there as a guide and can be adapted to suit your child's needs and interests as necessary.
- We have tried to make the activities as accessible as possible. Your child may need an initial discussion about what to do but should then be able to work (mostly) independently on the task.
- Most of the activities can be completed using pencil and paper but you may choose to complete some using an application in Purple Mash e.g. 2Publish.

2. Reading and Phonics Activities

- Log in details for two publishers who are providing free online e-books similar to the reading books we would normally send home with your child.
- A link to daily phonics videos via Youtube.
- Year 2 spelling activities the children have already learnt this rule so this should help to consolidate this learning.

3. Additional activities you might be interested in trying with your child

- 4. Independent activities for your child to complete on their own.
 - Some of the activities have a 'resource' linked to them, which can be found at the end of the document.

5. Resources which are referenced throughout the document

As a school, we are now using Purple Mash as our main communication point for 'Home Learning'. As a team, we have decided to set most activities 'outside' Purple Mash for this week as we recognise the children, and yourselves, will need a little longer to become familiar with it. Therefore, please complete the activities in any way you wish - using pen and paper or an application within Purple Mash e.g. 2publish.

In order for your child's teacher to see the work your child has completed please follow the instructions in section **4.3 of Purple Mash How to Guide.** This is a simple way of uploading photographs or documents of your children's work to their 'My work' folder, which their teacher can then access.

We hope that this helps to provide a range of ideas to support your child with their learning at home. However, we would like to remind you again that this continues to be a difficult and uncertain time for us all and ultimately the happiness and wellbeing of your child and your family is paramount. Your child may only complete a few of the activities detailed in this document and that is **fine**. If your child is finding the work too stressful, try a different activity or take a break. Children learn best when they are focused and ready to learn!

Finally, you will also find attached our 'Purple Book Homework' grid for the Summer Term. Our topic for the Summer Term is Rainforests. Please use the grid to choose activities you wish to engage with at home. These activities can be completed across the whole term and you may not complete all of them. Any activities you choose to do at home will support your child's learning and can be shared with their teacher via their 'My Work' folder on Purple Mash.

Thank you again for your continued support,

Year 1/2 Team