

William Hulme's Grammar School – Early Years

School Closure Learning Plan

Dear Parents/Carers,

Unfortunately, you will now be aware that school is closed from Tuesday 5th January 2021 on guidance from the government. I wanted to write to you to let you know about how we will communicate with you and what we are setting as expectations of learning in Early Years (Nursery and Reception).

Communication

Please continue to check text messages and emails regularly. This will be the way that we will communicate with you to keep you updated on the current situation.

Learning from home

At this time, we are only certain that we will be closed until February Half Term. We therefore, need to have a system in place that allows your child to continue to learn at home. I do need to stress that learning from home is an expectation, not an option.

Your child will be set work to complete at home on a daily basis. You have already received an exercise book for your child to record their learning in. This work will be sent to you every day before 9am via text and will be available on our school website also.

<https://www.whgs-academy.org/learning-from-home/primary-phase>

There will be a link on the text that you open, which will take you to a **Microsoft Sway** page. This page will contain:

- a Maths activity
- an English activity
- a Phonics activity
- a wider curriculum activity
- A daily story
- Children in Reception are expected to **read daily using Bug Club**.

We will keep in contact with **all** children through weekly phone calls. Please continue to send evidence of your child's learning through **Evidence Me** and contact your class teacher if you need any support.

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Online Learning

Pupils will be able to access online activities through:

Microsoft Sway. A text will be sent to parents when new learning is available.



Reception Daily Reading

Every teacher has an expectation that each child will undertake daily reading tasks. This will be directed through Bug Club online www.activelearnprimary.co.uk



Communication

WHGS teaching staff will communicate learning tasks via email, text and Microsoft Sway. The school website will contain "Learning from home" expectations and links to additional learning resources, e.g. website links.



Evidence Me

We may also contact you through Evidence Me. This is a great way for us to find out about what your child has learnt and give you feedback on what to work on next.



Read to your child

It is very important to read and share a book with your child daily. This will support your child's language development.



Broaden Their Minds

Please remember to set aside time each day for learning. Teachers will ensure access to high quality learning materials.

