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# St John's Green Primary School

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Maths

We are all  
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### COVID 19

We are now two weeks into the lock down and the surrealness of the situation is still unfathomable. We know that some of our families are being affected by the virus in a very real way and have lost loved ones to the virus over the last week and our heartfelt sympathies go to you in these very difficult times.

I would continue to urge all our families to continue to Socially Distance yourself and only make journeys that are absolutely essential. As I'm sure everyone is aware, the best way to protect yourself is by:

- Regular and thorough washing of your hands

- Using a tissue for coughs
- Avoid touching your face

The Governments' restrictions for Social Distancing remain:

- Everybody must stay at home and only leave if they have a "reasonable excuse" which includes:
- To exercise - either alone, or with members of your household (guidelines suggest once a day)
- Shopping for basic necessities (the guidelines say this should be done as infrequently as possible)
- Any medical need, including to donate blood, avoid or escape risk of injury or harm, or to provide care or to help a vulnerable person
- Travel to or from work, but only when you cannot work from home

The better we follow these rules, the better the chances of limiting the spread of the virus and this means we can limit the impact of the virus in our own personal lives and our community and help safeguard our families.

### Websites/Links for Home Learning

**All of these links are on the school website and are worth a look.**

**Harry Potter at Home**—Bringing Hogwarts to You

**Virtual School**—This is excellent with links to a plethora of webcams, virtual tours and trips—including zoos, museums etc—You can even pop over to Egypt to see the pyramids: <https://virtualschoolactivities.com/>

**Playmobil**—<https://www.playmobil.co.uk/play/play/>



### Our School's Learning at Home

Very difficult to pick some for the newsletter but I think Thomas playing

the trombone in the garden is a must. Also very impressed with Jasmine's volcano and the Lane's baking—which I'm assuming they've now eaten! There's more on the website. Pictures that is—not food to eat.



At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents.

Jane D. Hull

**"Practice isn't the thing you do once you're good. It's the thing you do that makes you good."**

- Malcolm Gladwell

### Article 29:

Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures, and the environment.

### The Big Question

A reminder that this Assessment Period 'The Big Question' for everyone is:

'Who is Responsible for the World?'

### Home Learning

Just to remind parents that all the Home Learning is set up on the school website and the link is on the Welcome Page 'Home Learning' and new links are being added each week.

The page is set into three sections:

On the left—On-line resources for Home Learning

On the right—Example Timetables and Subject Activities

At the bottom—Lesson Plans and Resources from the school

Week 1 had the theme—Family and Friends.

Week 2 was Aspirations.

**Next week, Week 3, the theme is Money and Enterprise**

These resources are now on the website.

Please go to the website for all Home Learning resources and also remember that you should have access to your children's Num-berym and Purplemash accounts.

### What are you Doing at Home?

Many thanks to the parents that have already sent in some pictures and prose of the different things they've been getting up to at home. These are on the website under 'Home Learning'

Please do keep sending things in to the school, via the [admin@st-johnsgreen.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-johnsgreen.essex.sch.uk) account, examples of pictures, writing, maths, diagrams, baking, etc and maybe a brief explanation of some of the things you are doing at home are very welcome. We will then use some of those in the newsletter and on the website.

**Please remember, if you do send anything in, we will be using it on the website and in newsletters.**

**What's really easy to get into and hard to get out of? Trouble!** - Some of our children are excellent at this!

**If you have me, you want to share me. If you share me, you haven't got me. What am I?**



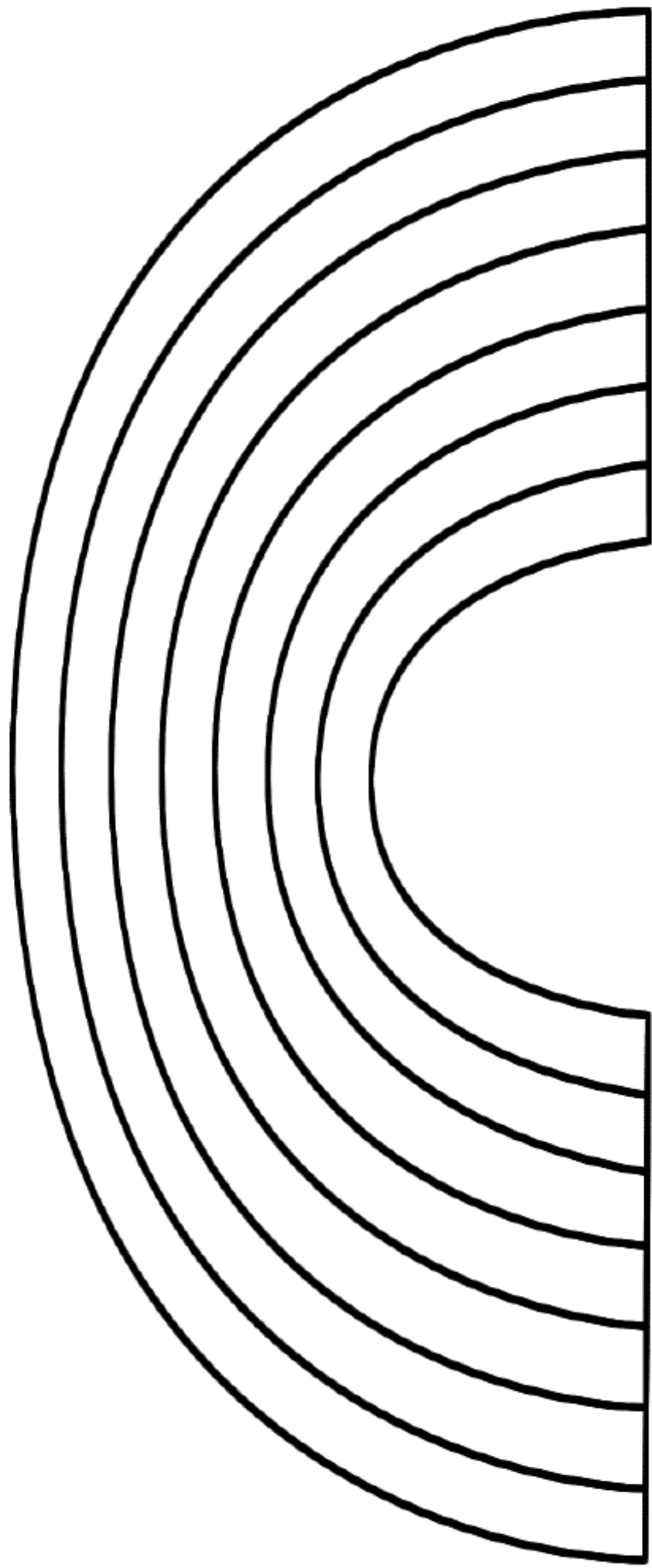
### Be a Rainbow

You may well be aware that rainbows have been springing up all over the country. In effect they serve as a reminder to stay positive. The school is no exception and if you've walked past the Abbey Field site and looked over you will have seen our rainbows in the window. On page 2 of the newsletter there is your very own rainbow to print off and colour and pop in your window at home. Even if you done one already, add another—the one on page 2 is better because it has the school picture on it!

And Finally,

All sorts of strange things are happening in people's homes at the moment, especially with regards to the ways businesses are responding as best they can to Working at Home. Mrs Randall mentioned this morning that, when she'd got home from work yesterday, she found her husband was dressed in a wet suit and mask! This was apparently because his team all had to dress up with the theme of the sea for an online meeting. I have no intention of wearing a wet suit and mask for work—would probably never live it down!

Stay Safe—Simon Billings



When the skies are  
cloudy, be a rainbow!

