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Dear Parents/Carers

COVID – 19 Update – 01/04/20

We are now into week 2 of the lockdown and I hope you are all keeping well, staying safe and following the rules. It is vitally important that we ALL observe the rules on social distancing and isolation if we are to ensure this situation is over as quickly as possible.

After this week, it is the two week Easter holiday. During this time staff will not be setting additional work to what is already on our website and we are asking everyone to 'take a break' during this time.

There are however, a number of things being worked on by staff at the moment, some of which you will be aware of. Can I highlight some of the following things that are available on our website:

- Birchensale's Virtual library; packed with free ebooks and free audible books;
<https://www.birchensale.worcs.sch.uk/birchensale-virtual-library/>
- Bear Grylls' and the Scouts' Top 100 Activities;
<https://www.scouts.org.uk/activities/?size=Individuals,Pairs&setting=Indoors>
- Miss Horsley's History Challenge
<https://www.birchensale.worcs.sch.uk/2020/03/25/history-competition/>
- And for Easter, with a prize of a giant Easter Egg, Mr Homer will be launching a special challenge, so look out for this, coming soon to our website.

In addition, we have been made aware of a local network of volunteers who are doing a fantastic job supporting Redditch residents:

COVID19 – Mutual Aid Network <https://supportredditch.net/help-centre/>

They are offering support with food, medicines, post, advice and many other areas. Please take a look at their website.

We hope you all have a good week. Stay Safe, and stay positive.

Best wishes

Mr T Jones
Headteacher

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Headteacher Designate

