

# HOME SCHOOL RESOURCES

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#### **WELCOME**

The staff at Laurance Haines have gathered a range of information to support all parents/carers with home schooling during the lockdown period.

The learning provided by LHS will be enough to support home learning. However, should you wish to look at additional learning you are very welcome to. To make this easier for everyone we wanted to share some key information, links and ideas to support you.

If you have come across any useful information we actively encourage you to share this with the LHS Community, either via Social Media or you can email lydiadesmond@lhaines.herts.sch.uk who will communicate the information out on a regular basis.

We are here to support you in any way we can as your children are remote learning from home. Please email or call the school should you need any support.

Thank you

Mr Gray Headteacher

## LOCKDOWN REMINDERS

The safest place for you and your child(ren) is at home. The Government guidelines are clear and you can find all the information you need <u>here</u>.

Please ensure you read this information and abide by the guidelines in place to protect everyone.



# SAFEGUARDING YOUR CHILD ON GOOGLE CLASSROOM

We are working hard to ensure that Google Classroom is a safe online resource for the children at Laurance Haines.

Please be aware of the following items:

- Its wonderful to see so many of the children attending however entry to the Google Meets will be denied for any non Laurance Haines account even if it is a child
- During the Google Meets, cameras must be turned on to safeguard who is attending, so that there can be an attendance taken and so staff can interact and connect as much as possible
- Unfortunately staff can not respond to emails sent from the Google account. If you wish to speak to your child's teacher via email please use the normal school email and they will be happy to help
- We are working hard to ensure that the virtual Google Meets are secure however children are still accessing the meet before and after the session. We understand that children really need time to talk and staff are working to build that in during the day safely. In the meantime please notify the teacher your child accesses a classroom with a staff member by email or by calling school and take your child off immediately.

# ACCESSING GOOGLE CLASSROOM

Google Classrooms can be accessed via a laptop, tablet or phone.

If you do not have access to these you can also access Google Classrooms via a PlayStation or XBox.

Details on how to do this are here.

#### **BBC BITESIZE**

Starting on Monday 11 January, each week day on CBBC will see a three-hour block of primary school programming from 9am, including BBC Live Lessons and BBC Bitesize Daily, as well as other educational programming such as Our School and Celebrity Supply Teacher and much loved titles such as Horrible Histories, Art Ninja and Operation Ouch.

BBC Two will cater for secondary students with programming to support the GCSE curriculum, with a least two hours of content each weekday.

Content will be built around Bitesize Daily secondary shows, complemented by Shakespeare and classic drama adaptations alongside science, history and factual titles from the BBC's award-winning factual programming units.

Bitesize Daily primary and secondary will also air every day on BBC Red Button as well as episodes being available on demand on BBC iPlayer.

For primary, BBC Bitesize online has an expanded offer of structured lessons in Maths and English for all year groups - these can be used at home or in the classroom. 'This Term's Topics' also covers other curriculum subjects and curates learning content that works for the Spring curriculum. This content can be easily incorporated into a learning plan or used to explore different topics at home. Visit <a href="mailto:bbc.co.uk/bitesize">bbc.co.uk/bitesize</a>, click on the year group and subject and all the content is there.



#### **BBC & TWINKLE PARTNERSHIP**

Pleased about BBC Bitesize and BBC Live Lessons TV programming from Monday?

You'll be even more pleased to hear that we've got materials aligned to every single lesson being broadcast, available for you.

More to follow here



#### **GOVERNMENT SUPPORT**

The Government have shared information on how to get support with technology during the COVID-19 pandemic for parents/carers.

Please visit their <u>website</u> for information on what you can apply for. This includes free mobile data for students to learn from home.

#### READING

We appreciate that reading is an essential aspect of your child(ren)s learning. Due to safety we are unable to release books from the school at this time.

The great news is that Library's across Hertfordshire are open and offering a service called Ready Read book packs!

You must select and order the books you wish to borrow <u>online</u>. There are 12 books in each children's ready read pack and they have listed the options in age groups, making it a really easy process for everyone.

Please ensure that you check collection times for your <u>local library.</u>



#### JOE WICKS IS BACK!

From Monday 11th January Joe Wicks is back as the Nations PE Teacher!

The new lockdown classes will start at 9am on Monday, which you can access via <u>You Tube.</u>

PE with Joe Wicks will take place every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9am until further notice.



#### **ENGLISH WITH HOLLY**

Holly provides English lessons from KS1 through to KS4.

Find out more here.



## THEATRE OF SCIENCE

Lara is fantastic – she is expressive and creative Science Teacher.

Find out more here.



### **COSMIC KIDS YOGA**

Cosmic Kids Yoga is created especially for children. With a variety of themes for children to enjoy and different duration's this is a great way to focus on mental and physical well-being



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