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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are writing to provide you with some additional ideas and activities you could use during this first week of working from home.

We will send a weekly email, each Monday, which will contain links to websites and ideas which can be used during this time of increased home learning - we stress that these are not compulsory and are intended to support you during this time. Your child's class teacher will also be making a once weekly check-in phone call so please don't hesitate to ask any questions, share concerns, celebrate successes or let us know if there are any resources you require.

At Longhill we celebrate play and understand and value its important role in your child's learning and development so please take this time to enjoy as many creative activities as you can.

### Monday

#### Phonics

Today, you can focus on revisiting the letter and sound for 'Jj'

- Revisit the sound using this link: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u6XlyICN\\_aM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u6XlyICN_aM)
- Follow this link to play 'I spy' with Geraldine the giraffe: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=spp1ea9\\_xl4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=spp1ea9_xl4)
- Challenge your child to write the capital and lowercase letter 'Jj'. *Can you write any words which contain this letter? Can you use one of the words in a sentence?*

#### Maths

- Number hunt  
Hide numbers from 1-20 around the house, in a bowl of gloop, jelly, flour. *Can you recognise all of the numerals? Can you order the numbers from smallest to largest?*

#### Understanding the world

- With your child, look through old videos and photos of you and your family and talk to them about past events.

### Tuesday

#### Phonics

Today, you can focus on revisiting the letter and sound for 'Vv'.

- Revisit the sound using this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VkXLv3c2y0k>
- Play 'I spy' with Geraldine the giraffe: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B5GA8L30VbY>
- Follow this link to play *Buried Treasure* on Phonics Play. Select Phase 3 and then press '+v'  
<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/BuriedTreasure2.html>

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## Writing

- Shopping list  
Go through your cupboards and fridge and call out different items that you need to buy from the shops. *Can your child write the shopping list?*

## Expressive arts and design

- Listen to your favourite songs and have a sing and dance. *Can you put on a talent show?*

## Wednesday

### Phonics

Today, you can focus on revisiting the letter and sound for 'Ww'.

- Revisit the sound using this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mjmsx-XmB5w>
- Play 'I spy' with Geraldine the giraffe: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IWZLTI4zTtQ>
- Challenge your child to write the capital and lowercase letter 'Ww'. *Can you write any words with which contain this letter? Can you use one of the words in a sentence?*

### Physical Development

- Let your child choose what they would like to wear and let them dress themselves independently. Encourage your child to have good personal hygiene; brushing teeth, washing hands regularly, having showers/baths, washing their face etc.

### Reading

- Encourage your child to choose a book (a school reading book or something different) and pick a word. Have a race as to who can find it first on that page.

## Thursday

### Phonics

Today, you can focus on revisiting the letter and sound for 'Xx'.

- Revisit the sound using this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WjOCuGIme9Q>
- Follow this link to play *Picnic on Pluto* on Phonics Play. Select Phase 3 and then press '+x'  
<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/PicnicOnPluto.html>

### Maths

- Repeating patterns  
Use any toys (construction materials/animals/loose parts) and create a repeating pattern and describe it. A repeating pattern can be colours, shapes, size, sounds ect.  
Example:  
Red, yellow, blue, red, yellow ...  
Large, medium, small, large...  
1,7,4,1,7,4,1,7....  
Clap, stomp, click, clap, stomp...

### Writing

- Letter writing  
Ask your child to write letters to family members or friends they cannot see at the moment - you could post these letters and ask them to call you when they arrive.



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## Friday

### Phonics

- Today, you can revisit the Phase 2 Tricky words (words that the children can't use their phonics to decode - they just have to learn to read them on sight). Your child will already be really good at these!
- Follow this link to sing the tricky word song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TvMyssfAUx0>
- Write down two sets of tricky words on scrap paper (no, go, to, the, into, I) and divide them into two piles. Play tricky word snap!

### Expressive arts and design

- Create a rainbow collage - you could use clippings from magazines, natural items from the garden, scraps of material. Display your colourful rainbow in the window of your home to lift the spirits of passers-by.

### Additional daily activities

- Joe Wicks will be doing daily P.E. sessions. These begin at 9am and can be accessed by following this link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAxW1XT0iEJo0TYIRfn6rYQ>
- Mr Puddick is a teacher from Manchester who will be reading a story every day and this can be accessed by following this link: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/MrPuddick/posts/>

Please don't hesitate to contact us using our EYFS email address: [longhillstaffeyfs@hcat.org.uk](mailto:longhillstaffeyfs@hcat.org.uk) We would love to see any photographs of the wonderful home learning that will be happening in our Longhill community so please share these with us too.

Most of all play, have fun and take care of yourselves and your families.

Many thanks,

The F2 Team

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