



Spring activities April 20th 2020

Hello Green Ash,

I hope you are enjoying your time at home with your families and that you are all well. It's very strange not seeing you at school, things feel very different at the moment don't they? Don't worry it feels this way for everyone. I am at my home too and I really miss seeing your happy, smiling faces and hearing your news and funny jokes! It would be lovely if you could draw a picture of yourselves doing something new and fun that you could show me and the rest of the class when we are back at school. Perhaps you could talk to a grown-up about your picture and ask them to write down what you are saying about it, in your own words. Remember to write your name on it so we know that it is your picture, (I'm sure a grown-up will help you if you find it tricky). I also miss hearing you sing our 'Days of the Week' and weather songs. It would be lovely if you could sing them at home. I've attached pictures of the weather and the days of the week so you could pretend to be a teacher at home. You could also play a pairs game; turning the words or pictures upside down and trying to find two that match.

We were beginning to learn about growth last half-term and were enjoying the story of 'Titch'. Another story we were going to read is 'Jack And The Beanstalk'. Do you know it? Perhaps you could read it with a grown-up? I go for a walk most days and have seen the pretty, spring flowers growing and the buds on my Magnolia tree are now fully open. What changes have you seen? Can you draw and describe them? I know some of you were planting flower and vegetable seeds. Have they started to grow yet? It would be fun to measure and draw them as they grow. Maybe you could make a chart or take a photograph?

I am so looking forward to seeing you again. We will have lots to tell each other won't we! Maybe you could learn and remember two funny jokes and we can take turns to tell them and listen. I have been sharing some of your yoghurt jokes (that we have shared at lunchtimes) with my family and friends to make them laugh!

Well, please keep safe and remember to listen to others and be kind and helpful - and have fun!

Mrs Tritton xxxx



A Magnolia tree

Support during School Closure for Parents and Carers

RWI Phonics lessons at home *

We're streaming three, short Speed Sounds lessons for children to watch at home every weekday on our [YouTube channel](#).

Each lesson is ten minutes long and available for 24 hours.

Repeats of lessons streamed up until Friday 3rd April will be shown during the Easter holidays (6th - 17th April excluding Bank Holidays).

- Set 1 Speed Sounds 9.30 am (BST) - for children in Nursery and Reception and children who are new to English
- Set 2 Speed Sounds 10.00 am - for children in Reception that can read Set 1 Speed Sounds and for children in Year 1 and 2
- Set 3 Speed Sounds 10.30 am - for children in Year 1 and 2 that can read Set 2 Speed Sounds

After the Easter holidays, we will:

- Continue Sets 1, 2 and 3 Speed Sounds lessons
- Add lessons to help children read words with Set 1 Speed Sounds and spell words with Set 1, 2 and 3 sounds

Don't worry if you miss a lesson. Once each set has been shown, we will replay one a day from each set.

[Click here](#) for the YouTube Speed Sounds lessons schedule.

Storytime with Nick

From Monday 20th April, we are releasing *Storytime with Nick*; films of well-loved stories read by Nick Cannon, a trained actor, teacher and trainer and a wonderful storyteller. [See him in action here](#).

Three stories will be published each week on our YouTube channel and are ideal for Nursery, Reception and KS1 children. So far, we are filming stories by Jeanne Willis, Tom Percival, Jill Murphy, Cressida Owen and Claire Freedman.

Most films will be available for the period of school closure.

*** I hope you will find this information helpful. Please only use RWI (Read Write Inc) Set 1 Sounds with your nursery child/children. It is better that they become really fluent with these sounds and pronounce them purely (without an "uh" sound at the end) and have fun with them. Mrs Tritton 😊**