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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Over the next while, life will be extremely different for all of us whilst our children are being asked to learn from home. We realise that for most of you, this is the first time you will spend an extended period of time with your child in a learning situation. Use this helpsheet as a guide to set the scene at home. If you get things right from the start, your child will engage, and best learning will occur.

BE PATIENT

BE CONSISTENT

SHOW INTEREST

BE SUPPORTIVE

GIVE PRAISE



ONLINE LEARNING

At home, go onto our school website www.ourladysdeanby.co.uk
Go to the 'PUPIL AREA' – 'HOME LEARNING'. (The password to access this area was issued with your second work pack distributed on 20 March). This is where you will find a range of resources posted by your child's teacher. We aim to refresh resources regularly over the next few weeks. The work will be in different formats, worksheets, activities, exercises. We will use various online tools such as:

- Seesaw
- My Maths
- > Twinkl
- Maths Mastery
- Study Ladder
- > Accelerated Reader Epic



Each child has now been sent home two work packs which include reading books, photocopiable worksheets, a new exercise book, glue, coloured paper, some art materials etc. Please keep these in the folder provided and use throughout the working from home period. If the teacher sets a piece of work through the website, use the exercise book to document answers. Always write the date before beginning any written work in books or on worksheets.

Good luck with home learning and remember you can contact us on info@ourladysgirlsprimary.belfast.ni.sch.uk Put the name of the teacher you wish to contact in the title of the e-mail.

Protection Prayer

May the light of God surround you; May the love of God enfold you. May the power of God protect you. May God place His healing hands upon you and heal you quickly. May the presence of God watch over you. Wherever you are, God is. Amen.

PARENT HELPSHEET MARCH 2020

Our Lady's Primary Home Learning Plan

THE BEST APPROACH TO LEARNING IN THE HOME ENVIRONMENT

(Monday to Friday)

- ➤ Have a daily routine get up, wash, dress, eat and start the day by 9.15am
- Create a workstation to do schoolwork this does not have to be a large space
- > Turn off TV and Radio children learn best when quiet and uninterrupted
- > Take little breaks every 15-20 minutes get up and move about
- **→ Have a water bottle nearby** *drink plenty*
- Follow direction given by teachers on the school website – we plan to post regularly
- Always do English and Maths activities in the mornings
- Not <u>ALL</u> school work involves writing play games, paint, draw a picture, do a jigsaw, recite your tables, do a word search, bake biscuits, make jelly...
- Read lots every day
- Where possible go outside into the yard or garden – make the most of the sunshine
- Make time to be creative

A good morning routine can really set up the productivity tone for the rest of the day

START AS YOU MEAN TO GO ON!



STAY A STEP AHEAD...

Make a list of 'jobs' that need to be done around your house and put the list up for all to see. When you hear the words 'I'm bored', let them choose something from the list to do! Wash windows, tidy drawers, sort toys, do some dusting, paint, draw, read, sing, dance, do some exercises, kick a ball, write a poem, send a letter, ring granny, make a 3D junk art rocket, write a story, say some prayers and

do your best to be happy!

