



Year 2

Remote Learning

To the children,

Hello Year 2! It's Mr Ibbotson here. For those of you who read this letter each week, you may have noticed that the Year 2 teachers take it in turns to write it. I wrote you the very first of these letters and I was really hoping that we would be back at school, before it was my turn again. Unfortunately, that hasn't happened just yet, so here is letter number two from me!

Although, myself and all the other teachers are sad that we've been off school for so long, seeing all your wonderful remote learning certainly makes us happier! We have been so impressed with the quality of work that you've been doing and we absolutely love looking at all of the English, maths and wider curriculum learning that you send us. Please keep working hard, trying your best and sending your learning to the Year 2 e-mail address: year2@coleridgeprimary.net.

As well as the remote learning, we've also really enjoyed hearing about and seeing lots of other things you have been up to. We have received video messages, musical performances, photos of things you have cooked and much much more. Please continue to send us your messages and remember - we'll always write back to you as soon as we can!

As well as responding to your emails, over the next few weeks your teacher will also be phoning you! Some of you might have even spoken to your teacher already. I hope it didn't feel too strange talking to them on the telephone!

We hope you enjoy all the activities in this week's remote learning and we're looking forward to speaking to you soon.

Take care,

From Mr Ibbotson

Here's a video message from each of your teachers:

Miss Ibbotson to 2O - <https://youtu.be/tyODLG-ywsl>

Mr Heidensohn to 2B -

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLfMIFHa5HhXX686nCksMs4Xh-KPFLp4u6>

Mr Ibbotson to 2R - <https://youtu.be/IQP2X5NAM9o>

Miss Creamer to 2P - https://youtu.be/Hl_nLXfvVsk

To the parents,

We hope you are all safe and healthy and that everything is going well at home. Over the next few weeks, your child's class teacher will be phoning you. They'll talk to you and then speak to your child. If you have any major issues or concerns, then this is a perfect opportunity to let us know and please do not hesitate in doing so. The health, happiness and well-being of your child and family unit is of utmost importance to us and as a school we'd like to support you in any way we can.

This week, there are new **English** and **maths** activities. Children can continue doing **wider curriculum** activities from the document we sent out last week.

In **English**, children will read a poem called **Say Something Nice** from a lovely new online book called **The Book of Hopes: Words and Pictures to Comfort, Inspire and Entertain Children in Lockdown**. They will use the poem as inspiration to write their own 'Say Something Nice' poems.

In **maths**, the focus over the next two weeks will be on learning about **fractions**. This was the unit of work we started teaching in Year 2, before the school closed and lockdown began. It was during this unit that a number of children were absent as they were self-isolating. Therefore, for some children the concepts taught in this week's lessons will be relatively new, whilst for others, they will be consolidating what they already know.

In the last few weeks, each of the teachers has been sending videos, messages and writing email responses to the children in their class. You may have noticed that we often highlight the quality and variety of remote learning we are receiving. This is a little tactic we teachers use to help motivate your child to work hard and try their best! Whilst it can be very effective and we know many of you appreciate these messages, we do recognise that this can also sometimes make parents feel like they (or their child) is not doing enough in comparison to others. We really do not want you to feel like that. We understand these are incredibly difficult times and everyone is doing the best they can. As we've said many times - please do not feel pressured to do all the lessons and do what is possible based on your jobs and family dynamics. The Year 2 team values the happiness and mental wellbeing of you all, above everything else.

Take care,

Ms Creamer, Mr Heidensohn, Miss Ibbotson and Mr Ibbotson