

Dear Families

As we are closed for the next 4 weeks or so, some educational activities are included in this pack to help keep them learning and occupied. Some are specific to your child and others are more general. At home, your child should not be “working” during all school hours; rather their learning will need to fit around your household’s needs.

### Literacy

Your child learns the Quick 60 Foundation programme at school, which follows a set order and sentence pattern. A list of this is included, with the letters and sight words your child learns highlighted. At their level, they learn one letter and one sight word per week. They can complete the enclosed worksheets for these letters. It is important to note that the handwriting formation is not always correct on these worksheets. Because of this, I have included a handwriting formation sheet which clearly shows how letters should be formed correctly. As well as this, they could learn their sight words by reading them, writing them and making them in various ways. Some suggestions for this are playdough, leaves, sticks, sand, clothes pegs, shaving foam, and searching for them in newspapers or magazines. To match the worksheets there are alphabet books which follow the sentence pattern and new sight words. However, these are only available in digital format which I will email you. Repeatedly writing the words is another way of learning them. They can also practise writing their name and a short date, eg 24/3.

Included is a laminated chart of alphabet sounds and blends, which your child should know well as we practise saying the sounds every day at school. The sounds that letters make is very important so children can sound out unknown words when writing and reading.

### Maths

Enclosed in this pack is a list of ways to use cards and dice to help your child learn basic facts in fun ways.

### Other

Make sure your child has some fun activities, such as construction with blocks or recycling items, playing outside, drawing, colouring, crafts, cutting with scissors, and some physical activity. They can also help at home with chores, and there is a suggested “home schooling” timetable within the email sent out by Mr Overeem when announcing school closure. There is a list of websites which you can access for any other activities here: <https://bit.ly/kokopucarona2>

### Contact

I will be contactable through the Class Dojo app, which can be used to send messages. School will keep us all updated through email, the Facebook page or by phone.

See you all when school returns. Stay safe – stay home!

Mrs Stafford