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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all keeping well and safe in what are strange times to be living in. Life in school continues, with the children who are still attending working through the same weekly learning packages that have been posted on our website for you at home. There are currently enough learning activities there for five weeks, after which the teachers will be posting more weekly activities. Just like at home we have been taking breaks from our learning activities to 'get active'. The children here have particularly enjoyed their workouts with Joe Wicks.

### Covid-19 Information

The school has been asked by the Local Authority to share with you a link to their website which has information about the virus, both general health advice but also particular information with regards to children with additional needs. The link is [www.plymouthonlinedirectory.com/covid-19/send](http://www.plymouthonlinedirectory.com/covid-19/send).

### Mental Health and Wellbeing

As an area that is being spoken about a great deal at the moment, the organisation, SCARF and Life Education has emailed school to let us know about their wellbeing programmes aimed at supporting teachers, parents and children. For children there are online activities including daily posts from Harold the giraffe with ideas for creating routines and the different things that children (supported by parents/carers) can do to keep happy and healthy – including looking after their emotional health. It also includes a section for parents, including sign-posting to online safety resources as well as ways of helping children cope with anxiety caused by COVID-19's impact. This site can be reached at [www.coramlifeeducation.org.uk](http://www.coramlifeeducation.org.uk).



### Hope Baptist Easter event

Hope Baptist have asked us to pass on that the Easter event they were due to run will no longer take place as scheduled but that the online event below will take its place.



**Getting Ready for Easter Goes Online!**

On Saturday 4th April at 10am we will go live for an hour of Easter fun for children. Tune in to the Families at Hope Facebook page or watch on our Youtube account (Hope Baptist Church, Plymouth). We will tell the Easter story in 4 child friendly parts, suggest some crafts, play a game and run a participatory competition for you to engage with at home. There's an Easter Egg to be won (it will be sent to the winners home!)

Spread the word and see you then!

### Other online activities

The RSPB have been in touch to promote their Breakfast Birdwatch. It will run daily from 8am until 9am and pictures, video and audio recordings of birdsong can be uploaded using the BreakfastBirdwatch hashtag or on their Facebook page. You might like to use this opportunity to complete Mrs Hill's challenge from last week and write about the birds you can see from your window – don't forget to send your writing in. As for me, I would love to see some drawings of the birds you have spotted and will put them on the school website if you send them in by email.

You can take a virtual tour of some of the world's most famous museums and art galleries, with links to zoos and theatres too. You can find the site at

[www.travelandleisure.com/attractions/museums-galleries/museums-with-virtual-tours](http://www.travelandleisure.com/attractions/museums-galleries/museums-with-virtual-tours)

### Next week

Mrs Degg will be running the office next week and so she will be in charge of putting together the next newsletter. Hopefully she will have more website suggestions for you then.

Best wishes,

Mrs D Razey.