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Good morning everyone,

How are you? Please let us know via email or telephone call if you are struggling and need support with anything — either on together@bucktonvale.tameside.sch.uk or 01457 833102; we have staff at school daily.

Today, I am writing to you about the work set by teachers at Buckton Vale. A number of parents have requested printed sheets for the work to be carried out by children at home. I am sure you will understand that inviting parents to school to collect worksheets is not feasible at this time. For this reason, teachers have prepared some ideas as to how to best manage the work sent. We genuinely understand this is not the best option but we also appreciate that you are all doing your very best in a difficult situation. The staffing team would like to thank you sincerely for that.

## **Mathematics**

The White Rose Maths format shows a video clip; this starts with a flashback task, the children will know this as power up. The next part explores the learning task for the day. We recognise it would be costly to print the work sheets but all children have been given a maths book or provided with paper. To keep it simple, write the date and lesson e.g. 8/4/20 Week 1 lesson 3 Fractions and record the answers in the book or on the paper provided. The session tells you when to use the work book and provides reasoning opportunities in each session. Please see previous letter on our website for more explanation.

### **RWI Phonics**

Read, Write Inc. are providing daily videos on YouTube, where children can join in with their English books. Please see previous letter on our website which shows the video your child should be watching based on their current/recent RWI group.

#### English

Each class has been set specific writing tasks. These can be carried out in their English books or on the paper provided. These tasks may be from either the Talk 4 writing pack, linked to a specific class topic or Pobble365. Some classes have also been given pages from their CGP books to complete. Please refer to your child's home learning overview sheet for more information.

## Science Year 3/4

The Year 3/4 teachers have suggested one piece of work requires a flappy book to be made and there is a sheet to print. We realise this is not possible for everyone so suggest that the children write the plant part name and then copy of the sentences for its function in their book instead of making the flappy book.

# Time Capsule

The whole school have been asked to create their own time capsule during these unprecedented times. You do not need to print this pack off; your child can just use this as a stimulus to design their own time capsule.

A few tasks might require tables to be drawn out using a ruler. These are more likely in KS2 so we think the children will be able to manage this but parents can help as much as possible.

Please understand; we know how difficult it is working from home and trying to support learning at the same time. Many teachers are working from home having similar difficulties.

We think you are all doing a fantastic job in these challenging times.

Stay safe everyone

Mrs Brown Headteacher