



# POUND HILL INFANT ACADEMY

Principal: Tom Jordan

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

The academy has received many queries regarding the possibility of work being set for children over the spring holiday. I am very mindful of striking a balance between four important factors at this time:

- Continuing to support children's academic recovery
- Considering the children's well-being and wider development
- Supporting parents and staff juggling work and home life, in line with government guidance.
- I remain hopeful that we will all be able to safely enjoy time with friends, family and wider experiences in line with the government's roadmap for lifting lockdown, specifically from 29<sup>th</sup> March 2021 and stage 2 of the roadmap (from no earlier than 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021).

As a result, please see below what the academy will be offering to support parents and carers who wish to complete some work and activities with their child(ren) over the Spring holiday period.

I would like to stress, however, that these activities are **optional**.

I would also like to, once again, publicly thank all staff at the academy for their continued commitment, dedication and passion for ensuring all children continue to receive the very best academic and emotional support. Indeed, staff have already started, and will continue to over the Easter holidays (I am sure), to plan and develop the learning for your child in the summer term.

## **Will there be remote learning for my child during the spring holiday?**

- Yes. There will be **optional** remote learning tasks.
- The learning will be available for one week from **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021**.
- This can be accessed via the academy's remote learning page:  
<https://www.poundhillinfantacademy.org.uk/teaching-and-learning/remote-learning>
- The normal interactive timetable and resources will be available for you and your child to access.
- Your child can access as many or as little of the activities as you wish.
- You may choose to spread the learning across more days to suit your family needs and circumstances.
- The optional remote learning will be linked to the last week's learning of the spring term and begin to encourage the children to start thinking about their new topic in the summer term.

## **Does my child have to do the remote learning tasks over the spring holiday?**

No. If you choose not to do remote learning activities with your child, that is okay!

**However, we strongly encourage all children to read regularly at home during the holiday period. Your child will be sent home with a new reading book and there will be books available on Bug Club and via Purple Mash.**



**Can you give me some ideas and activities to do with my child that supports their well-being?**

Yes. Please look at the many resources and suggested activities on the academy's 'Well-being/Nuture' tab via the academy's website:

<https://www.poundhillinfantacademy.org.uk/teaching-and-learning/wellbeing-nuture>

Finally, it leaves me to thank you for your ongoing support during this time and I truly hope you and the children have a safe and enjoyable spring holiday. I look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

Take care and stay safe,

Mr Tom Jordan  
Principal

