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The Learning Project Overview

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Why have Learning Projects been created?

Learning Projects have been created as a result of schools closing due to the Coronavirus outbreak across the UK. In creating the Learning Projects we fully acknowledge that they cannot replace the quality of learning your child receives at school however, our complete focus has been on creating a set of projects that all children can access to maximise their learning whilst at home.

What are the aims of the Learning Projects?

- To create age specific learning opportunities for primary school children
- To create a resource for parents that is easy to access and use
- Key learning is linked to the National Curriculum
- To enable children to continue with their learning at home independently and/or supported by family as needed
- To enable families to focus on a joint topic and theme to promote family wide learning.
- To provide structure and focus to each day (envisaged a couple of hours per day)
- To centralise online learning resources and links into an easy to manage format for families.

How do I use Learning Projects?

After the first week, when things are online, your first step is to select the age range linked to the year group your child is in. There are seven weeks worth of learning available. We have sent home a paper version this first week and this has been added to the website. We have also sent home a blank exercise book for you to record learning in, we hope this helps.

“Everyone Matters, Everyone Succeeds”

What happens if my child finds the learning too difficult?

Our first piece of advice to parents is that ALL children find elements of learning challenging at times so try not to worry if your child becomes stuck and you cannot explain it to them. If this happens then make a note of what they found hard and move onto another learning activity - the school will cover any misconceptions when we return. The Learning Projects which have been designed are based on the National Curriculum expectations for the Key Stage your child is in. It may be that your child finds the tasks set within the Learning Project for their Key Stage too challenging, for example, if they have additional learning needs. If this is the case, then we advise that your child accesses the Learning Projects which are set to the age range below, for example a child in Year 3 or 4 could attempt the KS1 Learning Project, if this is more appropriate for them. If you are having issues with any aspects please email homelearning@hawes-side.co.uk and a member of the teaching team will endeavour to respond during school hours 9am – 3.15pm.

How have Learning Projects been created?

Specialist curriculum designers from across our partner schools have been brought together to create the Learning Projects. Within the team of specialists we had expertise in all age ranges at a primary level along with a wide level of expertise in all curriculum subjects covered within them. It is the intention that due to the same theme covered across all age ranges family learning at home will be easier.

Additional Learning

On the academy website we have the [pupil links page](#) that has a number of additional learning suggestions that you can supplement our learning projects with should you need to. Individual teachers may have also set class specific learning to supplement the projects.

Whilst at home, family activities such as crafts and cooking provide some of the best learning children can ever do and we encourage you to do these. Please don't forget to **read everyday** and share the books you have at home; this is the **most important** thing you can do with your child. Remember learning will look different for everyone please stay safe, positive and enjoy your time together. Thank you for your ongoing support and understanding