

Birchwood continues to be closed next week apart from providing child care service for vulnerable children and children of key workers

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday

The Bugle is only available online at the moment due to school closure.

REMINDER : In these difficult times it is even more important to be kind to each other.

Celebrating VE Day 75 at Home

Many VE Day 75 events that had been planned are now not taking place due to lockdown restrictions, but you could still show your war time spirit by throwing a special celebratory party at home.

Children and staff attending Birchwood tomorrow will be coming to school dressed in red, white and blue. They will also be taking part in a number of VE Day 75 celebration activities, including creating bunting and roses.

If you would like to get involved and join in with the celebrations, then please go to your class pages on our school website where you will find a selection of suggested ideas and activities.

Mr Coleman—Headteacher



Celebrating Victory in Europe Day

75 years on.



Home Learning Websites

As well as the daily activities shared by class teachers, there are also a number of really useful websites to support children with learning at home.

With **now>press>play** At Home, your children can access 21 Audio Adventures which will transport your children to another world.

www.nowpressplay.co.uk/learnathome/

Password: nowpressplay

A free collection of online books , ordered by ability. No sign up required.

<https://digitallibrary.io/en>

A range of fun and challenging games based on computer programing skills

<https://blockly.games/>

Computer programming projects using Scratch

<https://scratch.mit.edu/>

Wellbeing calls home

Whilst school remains closed, we will continue to make phone calls home to check that our families are safe and well. Please do not feel you have to wait until we call. If you think we can help or support you or your family in any way, or you just need some advice, please call the school office on 01827 892913, week days between 11:00am—1:00pm, or leave a message and we will get back to you.

Our spotlight this week is:

Supporting our most vulnerable children

These are challenging times for us all, but for some families, circumstances can make them even more difficult. As a school we have been making weekly wellbeing phone calls to support some of these families. We have signposted families to a range of services and support available within the community, as well as supporting with access to the Government's voucher scheme to help with the cost of food for children who are eligible for Free School Meals. In addition, we have provided adapted learning opportunities for families where internet access has been an issue or learning needs are different.

However, we also know that many families' circumstances are changing. If you feel you need further support or would like advice. Please give school a call between 11am and 1pm.

Mrs Day—Associate Headteacher