

Dartmoor
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A small school, learning together in the local community

12th June 2020

Dear parent/ carer

The week has gone really well with school reopening for a limited number of children from priority groups. Firstly, I want to thank the staff for working exceptionally hard to make this happen. It has been an uncertain time and the planning and preparation to make the site safe has been extensive – thank you for all your hard work! The returning pupils have settled well and adjusted to the new system and safety control measures.



Safeguarding

Babcock LDP has created this webpage to help support schools, settings, parents/carers and pupils during the coming weeks. The site contributes information, guidance, useful links and teaching resources to use with all pupils, pupils with a SEND and pupils for whom English is an additional language:

<https://www.babcockldp.co.uk/campaigns/coronavirus-support-for-schools-parents-and-pupils>

Think U Know has created videos to support parents during Covid-19 and the closure of schools to many children. You can find the videos here: <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Support-tools/presentations-for-parents/> The recent video explores why children and young people like to share images, the risks and what you can do as a parent or carer to help maintain their safety.

Devon Family Advice Line: ECI will be launching a new phone advice line for parents and carers across Devon on Monday 1 June. The number for the new service is **01392 949059** and it will be manned from 10 – 2pm Monday to Friday. People will be able to leave a message outside of these hours, or when the operators are all busy.

It will offer advice on a specific issue around their children and their family relationships, including any communication issues or conflict they are having with their partners or co-parents of their children. It is not meant to be a replacement for more targeted work, but just a way to offer people a place to be heard and a few tips on how to deal with a particular situation or to signpost them to an organisation which may be able to help them.

Please pass on this number to anyone who might find it useful.

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Class Dojo usage

Class Dojo is an online learning platform where we have set up your classroom community ready for remote/ home learning. It is an excellent way to stay in touch with staff and to see pupil learning. Classes can be shared with other teachers in the school and school leaders so that learning can be shared.

Usage information as well as the Class Dojo Privacy Policy has now been added to our website, including information on the Class Story, Portfolios and Messaging. We appreciate that a technical error has been made this week and that some parents have not had full access. We have worked hard to rectify this quickly for all families to be able to use this online platform for remote learning. Thank you for your patience in this matter.

Wishing you all a happy, healthy weekend ahead.

Kind regards



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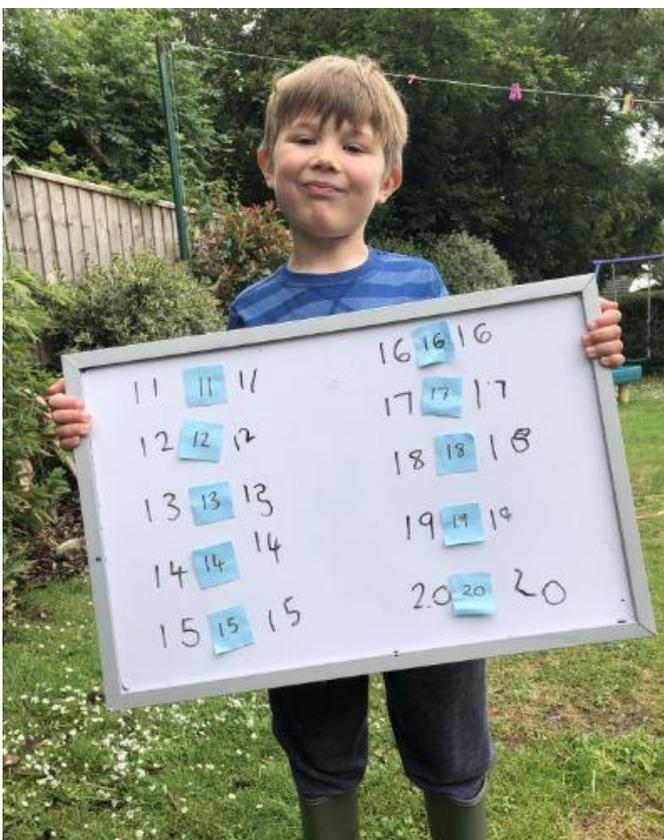
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Art activities in school



Max working hard



Bertie and his number garden hunt.



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