

Applegarth Primary School Newsletter



9th October 2020

Updates to Remote Learning at Applegarth

Our remote learning provision was very effective during lockdown. We have continued to build on the strengths in order to best support any learners who are unable to attend school for Covid-19 related reasons. Since this is much more comprehensive than our previous offer, it may seem daunting at first glance. **DO NOT WORRY** - we will phone and talk you through the process if the situation arises where your child is learning from home.

Strengths we have kept or built upon:

- Using Seesaw for communication and sharing specific learning tasks. We will use **Seesaw** to share **Pobble** writing tasks if a pupil is unable to attend school.
- **TT Rockstars** and **Purple Mash**
- **Maths No Problem** Parent Guides
- **Letters and Sounds for Home and School Learning** for Reception and Key Stage One

Things we have added, changed or improved:

- Remote Learning Strategy and Policy
- We have built a dedicated web page with resources and links to online platforms which mirror the learning in class. They will provide us with real time diagnostic information in order to feedback to pupils and adjust their learning to ensure it is pitched accurately even when they are off site.
- Pupil accounts have been set up on Microsoft Teams so that in the event of a class or bubble closure, staff can check in with pupils.
- Further investment in additional digital platforms to support remote learning including **SPAG.com, Spelling Shed and Reading Eggs**.
- Used the catch up funding to provide targeted, additional intensive support for all pupils. Specific examples include: early reading 1:1 catch up and support for vulnerable and disadvantaged learners across school.

Links on the next page:

I have attached a summary page as an image on the next page.

I have copied the links below to make it more convenient for you to follow.

- <http://www.applegarth.n-yorks.sch.uk/our-curriculum/homelearning/>
- <https://chrome.google.com/webstore/search/wonde>
- <https://edu.wonde.com/login/>

Don't wait to
self isolate!
Start using
the online
learning
resources
now 😊

The strategies, documents, policies and information are all on the [school website](#).

Home Learning Instructions

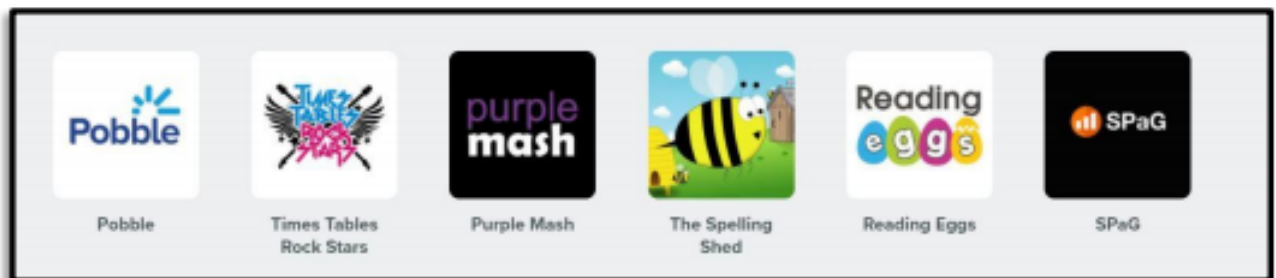
This page outlines exactly what you need to do to access home learning provision for your child.

First, follow this link to take you directly to our Home Learning webpage:
<http://www.applegarth.n-yorks.sch.uk/our-curriculum/homelearning/>

On this page, you will find **suggested daily timetables**, links to **home learning for the core subjects** and **foundation subjects**.

WONDE

We now have **WONDE** to make logging into the multiple online learning platforms much easier! Your child can now sign with a single log in using **WONDE**. Once your child has used their **WONDE** log in, they will see the options below; they simply select the relevant tile to access the platform/website.



Your child's teacher will set assessments, tasks and learning which matches what is being delivered in class and our systems will send information back to the teacher*. Using **WONDE** means your child does not have to log in and out and remember multiple usernames and passwords.

To gain access to **WONDE**, you will first need to download the **Chrome extension** (it's free and safe) by copying and pasting this link into the URL space on a Chrome browser: <https://chrome.google.com/webstore/search/wonde?hl=en-GB> To sign into **WONDE**, follow this link: <https://edu.wonde.com/login/>
You will be sent your WONDE log in directly.

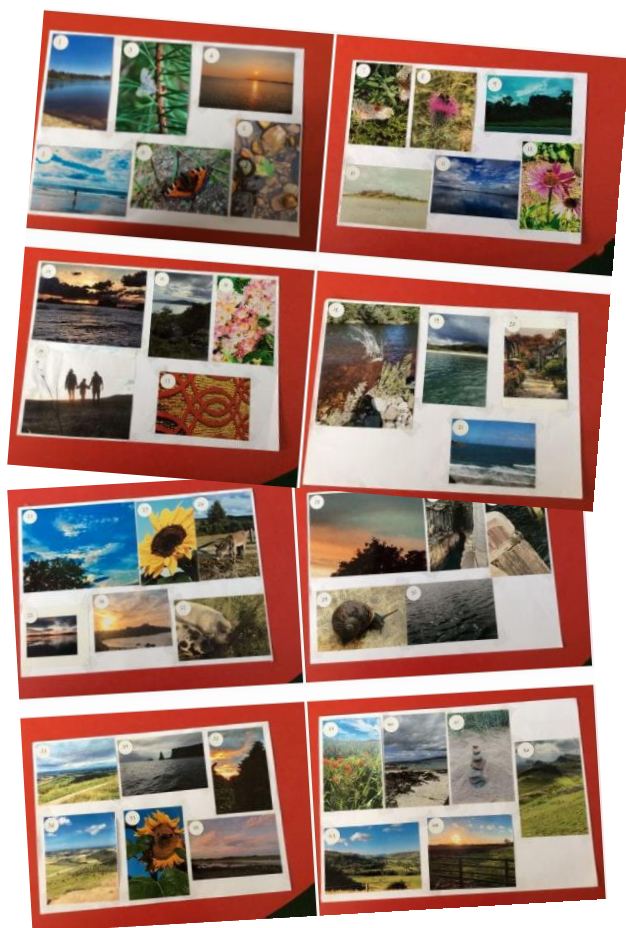
**Seesaw, Developing Experts and SATs Companion (Y6) are the only platforms which still require a separate log in. Writing assignments will be shared with you via Seesaw.*

*****SEPARATE PASSWORDS FOR DEVELOPING EXPERTS, WONDE (AND SATS COMPANION FOR Y6) WILL BE SENT SOON....*****

Parents' Evening Reminder

Parents' evening will be on **Tuesday 13th** and **Wednesday 14th October** from **3:30pm – 6:20pm**. **The appointments will be online video conferences** using our existing platform, SchoolCloud. Booking will be the same as normal and you don't need to download any software. The calls are end to end encrypted for security. Please follow the link to book an appointment: <https://applegarth.schoolcloud.co.uk/> Booking closes at **9pm on Sunday 11th October**.

Please be patient if there are technical issues on the night. Mrs Smith has worked incredibly hard to make sure the system works so that we can have a parents evening. **Further instructions attached to this email.**



The Votes Have Been Counted!

The votes have been counted and we now know which pictures are going into the calendar. Thank you very much for participating in the voting process. Congratulations to the winning pictures. The judge was very impressed with the quality of the entries. We certainly have some great photographers at Applegarth Primary School. I will be organising the pictures into the months for the calendar; I will share a prototype of the finished product for you to look at and pre-order.

Thank you for your support,

Mrs Burrell

Visit the blog to see the winners:

<http://blog.applegarth.n-yorks.sch.uk/2020/10/07/the-votes-have-been-counted/>

