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## Access to on-line learning platform

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Dear Parent/Carer

As you will have heard the government has announced that schools in England will be closed from Friday until further notice. Obviously, this is a distressing and uncertain time for everyone but particularly children who may struggle to understand the gravity of the situation and be confused about the changing world around them at the moment.

Hill Farm has been preparing for this eventuality and have provided every child access to an on-line learning platform called '**Firefly**' which help them continue their learning. The site will have work uploaded weekly by your child's class teacher for the duration of the closure. It will contain daily maths, spelling, grammar, writing and theme work which your child can complete. There will also be RE, mindfulness, music and helpful suggestions of ways to keep children active during this difficult time.

**Firefly** also contains teacher videos to help your child understand the learning and has a facility where they can upload completed work and send it back as well as make comments and ask questions. This will help their teacher to assess understanding and plan subsequent work.

Most children have been learning this week how to access Firefly and all children have log-ins. Step-by-step details of how you can help your child access Firefly at home is also attached to this letter.

If you do not have access to the internet or a computer at home, there is also a 'Firefly app' that you can download to your mobile phone so children could access learning from this too. We have also put together a helpful pack of photocopied work that children can complete at home. The packs will be sent home with your children on Friday. Also being sent today is an update on your child's progress as we were not able to hold parents evening. This short report details the progress your children have made, any interventions they currently receive as well as targets and how you can help at home.

For those families whose children have been absent this week, the packs, progress report and **Firefly log-ins** will be available from the office until the end of next week. You may send a representative by calling ahead to the office if you are self-isolating or have symptoms of Covid-19.

Please encourage your child to continue their learning as often as possible – it might help to devise a routine that in some way mirrors their school day, including rest and lunch breaks. Keeping the learning fun will also help - family board games such as Frustration, Monopoly and Scrabble provide fun learning opportunities as well as cards and dominoes. Hearing your child read and practising times tables is also invaluable. Remember every child also has access to times table rock stars!

There are many useful websites that you could use to help your child's learning during this time, these are a few we would recommend:

- <https://www.twinkl.co.uk>
- [www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers](http://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers)
- <https://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com>  
(phonics and early reading)
- [www.bbc.co.uk/schools/websites/4\\_11](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/websites/4_11)
- <https://www.topmarks.co.uk>
- <https://pages.sumdog.com>

Thank you as always for your support,

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### FIREFLY LOG IN INFORMATION

Please follow the following information carefully in order to log your child/children into their accounts;

To use Firefly from a phone or tablet;

1. Go to App Store/Google Play
2. Search Firefly for Students
3. Download the app
4. Enter the School Code 'hillfarm'
5. Enter your child's email address (attached)
6. Enter your child's password (attached) Please be careful to use capital letters where shown
7. Click Log in

To use Firefly from a PC or Laptop;

1. Open your internet browser and type <https://hillfarm.fireflycloud.net/> into the bar at the top NOT in the search box
2. Enter your child's email address (attached)
3. Enter your child's password (attached) Please be careful to use capital letters where shown
4. Click Log in

Once on Firefly, please follow the instructions on the back of this letter to access work and activities.

If you are having problems accessing Firefly having carefully worked through the steps above, please contact [enquiries@hillfarm.coventry.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@hillfarm.coventry.sch.uk).





Yours sincerely,

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ਜੇ ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਨੂੰ ਪੜ੍ਹਨ ਵਿਚ ਮੁਸ਼ਕਲ ਆ ਰਹੀ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ ਕਿਰਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਸਕੂਲ ਦੇ ਦਫਤਰ ਆ ਜਾਓ ਅਤੇ ਅਸੀਂ ਸਹਾਇਤਾ ਕਰਨ ਦੀ ਕੋਸ਼ਿਸ਼ ਕਰਾਂਗੇ। Jeśli masz trudności z odczytaniem tego dokumentu, skontaktuj się z Recepcją szkoły, a my postaramy się pomóc. Dacă aveți dificultăți în a citi acest mesaj, vă rugăm să veniți la biroul școlii și vom încerca să vă ajutăm. இதை வாசிப்பதில் நீங்கள் சிரமப்பட்டால், பள்ளி அலுவலகத்திற்கு வாருங்கள், நாங்கள் உதவ முயற்சிப்போம். اگر آپ کو پڑھنے میں دشواری ہو رہی ہے تو براہ کرم اسکول آفس پر آؤ اور ہم مدد کرنے کی کوشش کریں گے۔

## USING FIREFLY TO COMPLETE WORK

Once on Firefly Website:

1) Click on 'Tasks.'	 <p>Tasks</p>
2) Click on the title of the Task – this should be a blue hyperlink.	<p>18th March - Reading Comprehension </p> <p>Class 6A, Class 6B and Class 6C</p> <p>Set by Miss S McCann</p> <p>Task Description</p> <p> <a href="#">View Description</a></p> <p>Attachments</p> <p> <a href="#">Wednesday 18th Reading comprehension.docx</a></p>
3) The 'Task Description' and any 'Attachments' will be on the left hand side of your screen. Click on them to open them to see what you need to do.	
4) When you have completed the task, you can write a comment or upload a file for your teacher to see.	<p><a href="#">Send a File</a> <a href="#">Send a Comment</a></p>

Once on the Firefly App:

1) Click on 'Tasks.'	 <p>Tasks</p>
2) Click on the title of the Task – this should be a blue hyperlink.	<p>Miss McCann's upload a file test </p> <p>Class 6A, Class 6B, and Class 6C</p> <p>Set by Miss S McCann</p> <p>Due Tomorrow</p> <p><a href="#">TO DO</a></p>
3) The 'Task Description' and any 'Attachments' will appear. Click on the blue writing to open the attachment and see what you need to do.	<p>Hi Year 6,</p> <p>Please read the text about Earthquakes and answer the 5 comprehension questions. When you have completed it, please send it back to your teacher.</p> <p> <a href="#">Wednesday 18th Reading comprehension.docx</a></p>
4) When you have completed the task, you can choose to send your teacher a comment, photo, file or an audio recording.	<p><a href="#">Send a Response to Your Teacher</a></p>

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