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Dear Parents,

Although we miss the children, we do also miss seeing you all around and interacting with you. I want to say again please do not stress about completing all tasks; don't try and replicate a whole school day and put pressure on yourselves. Enjoy the time together.

As the situation stands currently, school will remain closed after the Easter break, except for those children whose parents are key workers. Should the situation change I will contact all parents as soon as possible.

I am delighted that from Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2010 we will be using Seesaw (<http://seesaw.me>), a secure virtual classroom where teachers can upload work to the children, communicate and stay in contact and update and support children/parents. Your child will also be able to add work (including photos, videos, worksheets, drawings and voice recordings). **Please note you must not add comments or work until Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2020. Teachers WILL NOT comment or respond until Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April but will upload work ready for Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April. As a family you must take the two weeks to relax and refresh.**

Messaging – a place where teachers, parents and children can communicate. This must be used in a **professional and mindful way** and at the discretion of both teacher and parent. Teachers **will not** be able to reply instantly to messages. Please remember that teachers are on a rota to work in school supporting key worker children and have other work to complete whilst working from home.

Uploaded work – It will be lovely to see some work from the children, teachers will look and make a comment about it but **will not** mark each piece of work.

Work will only be set during term times; no homework will be set during the holidays. Teachers will send out work weekly; some will do it once a week, some will give a little daily; they can choose how they wish to distribute work.

Please follow the instructions below to create your account and log in to your class with the QR code. Do not use the number/letter code below the QR code as this would have expired. You can either download the app or use seesaw through any web browser.



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### If you're using Seesaw for the first time:

1. Go to [app.seesaw.me](https://app.seesaw.me)
2. Choose "I'm a Student"
3. Take a shot of the QR code



4. Finish creating your account using your school Google account or email address

### If you've used Seesaw before and have an account:

1. Go to [app.seesaw.me](https://app.seesaw.me)
2. Choose "I'm a Student"
3. Sign in using your school Google account or email address
4. Click on your profile icon on the top left
5. Click on the +Join Class button
6. Take a shot of the QR code



I'm excited to be part of this new learning with you all. Another reminder that this new system must be respected at all times, it is not to replicate school learning and teachers will not be expected to respond daily. Teachers will respond in different ways to one another so please do not expect the same comments or work to be set, we are all different and have different styles. We hope that you are able to access the system easily; if you have any issues please email [admin@leverton.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@leverton.essex.sch.uk). By signing up to Seesaw you are agreeing to follow our Safeguarding Policy and Internet Policy and no part will be shared on any Social Media.

On a sad note we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Omurtak at Easter; she has an exciting new role closer to home and we wish her luck. Mrs Panagiotou, luckily, will be returning from maternity as the teacher in Nursery; welcome back! Keep safe over the Easter break.

Best wishes  
Miss L Gibbs



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