

Dear parents and carers,

I hope that you are all well and taking good care of yourselves and your lovely families? Well done – you've survived (and, hopefully, thrived) your first day of school closure due to the coronavirus! Have you and your children earned any of the stickers below today?!



I hope that you've been able to access the online education sites without too many difficulties, and that the children have enjoyed some learning at home. Class teachers have sent out timetables and activities for children to do at home....but, we *completely* understand that many of you are still trying to work from home, and that you may be looking after children of different ages – this is such a challenge for you all, and we know that you're trying so hard to juggle everything. You're all doing a fantastic job! Don't worry if your child can't manage all of the work that's been set, and everything is feeling a bit overwhelming. We're all just doing our best! There will be some parents who want lots of structured activities for their children to do at home, and others who can't manage that at the moment – that's OK. You know what is going to work best for you and your family. Please do get in touch with your child's

class teacher if you have any questions or queries, and they'll do their best to get back to you quickly (please remember that lots of them are also juggling work and childcare at home too.).

I'm sharing a beautiful illustration by the wonderful author – illustrator, Charlie Mackesy – he seems to be able to sum up the feelings of the nation at the moment so very well.

Sending you all a virtual hug!

Best wishes,

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