

Home Learning Life

Upham Primary, like all schools, is currently only open to the children of critical workers due to Lockdown 3.0. For those doing school work at home, life is slightly different.

When schools were closed last year, children weren't able to see or speak to the rest of their class. This year, that has changed. At Upham Primary, we have been having some online lessons using Google Classroom. Pupils can see each other and talk to one another. We even do online Pilates!



My home classroom!

Our Headteacher also holds online assemblies and sends us regular video messages. When it snowed, he made a video of the school grounds to show us. The playground and school field were white with snow.

I contacted some children from my class to ask how they're getting on. Austen in Year 5 said, "I enjoy home learning but I miss my friends.". Hayden in Year 6 told me, "Some days it has been tough without a teacher beside me but it is so nice to see everyone when we have live lessons. I can't wait until we all go back to school".

Being winter, the lockdown this year has been much colder and wetter. During breaks, children have to find things to do inside, like drawing or playing with their toys. Last year, we were able to get outside a lot more. We could go to the beach and go for walks in the sunshine. The sun definitely helped.

Hopefully this will be the last lockdown now that we have a vaccine. If it isn't, at least we can learn safely from home.

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