New Delaval Primary School Delaval Gardens Newsham NE24 4AD

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Dear Year 2

How are you? What have you been doing for the last four weeks since the schools closed? We hope you have been managing to do some fun things with your family and we would love to hear about them!

Here in school Mrs Horne, Mrs McRae and the children who have still been coming to school have been busy with lots of activities.

We have been reading every day, we read our school reading book and we also do some reading on Bug Club. Remember you can do this at home too. You can practise reading the two books that we sent home to someone in your family and you can also log onto Bug Club to find more books to read. Mrs Horne checks the Bug Club activity regularly and can see which books you have read and also what your scores were on the quizzes. She has privileges ready to give out to those children who have been reading regularly and privileges for those children who have worked hard to read carefully and got great scores on the quizzes.

You can practise your reading every day on Purple Mash too. Mrs Horne sets one chapter of a book to read every day and there are three fun quizzes about that chapter that you can complete once you have finished. Mrs Horne has been *super impressed* with the children who have been doing this regularly. They have earned rewards on Purple Mash and Mrs Horne has also put aside some privileges in a safe place for those children to have once they get back to school.

In school we have done a writing and a maths task every day but they have been more fun than the usual tasks we have had a dinosaur theme, Easter, Pirates and even a Rhino called Ronald! Mrs Horne says that you also have some writing and Maths activities on Purple Mash that she sets every day. The children who have worked on them regularly have had messages from Mrs Horne and have earned rewards for great work AND a privilege when they get back to school. Mrs Horne says don't forget Mathletics too! She is also checking to see who has used that regularly and is saving privileges for those children too.

Our timetable in school has been a bit different so we get to have extra time outside and get to use all sorts of equipment as well as time to play in the sand! When we do PE we have been using the Joe Wicks sessions on YouTube (Mrs Horne said that we could feel like we were doing the same as you then because she thought you would be doing some regular PE with Joe Wicks too). It can be a bit of a challenge but also good fun and if you want to try something more relaxing why don't you look at Cosmic Kids yoga? We love giving that a try here.

Enjoy the sunshine on your bikes or scooters, either in your garden or when you go out for exercise with your family. We would love to see photos of what you have been up to. Please write back to us.

Love from your friends, Mrs Horne and Mrs McRae