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***MOST YOUNG KIDS WILL REMEMBER HOW THEIR
FAMILY HOME FELT DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANIC
MORE THAN ANYTHING SPECIFIC ABOUT THE VIRUS.***

***OUR KIDS ARE WATCHING US AND LEARNING ABOUT HOW TO
RESPOND TO STRESS AND UNCERTAINTY.
LET'S WIRE OUR KIDS FOR RESILIENCE, NOT PANIC.***

Dear Families,

As we head towards the unknown we all have questions and worries that are dominating our days.

Our children are watching our every move and listening to every word. They don't need to know the scary stuff.

We will send app notifications out regularly with links to useful sites and activities you can do at home.

At home make worlds of imaginative lands that you can all enjoy and all without money and luxuries. Space helmets from colanders and lunar landscapes on an old curtain, Pirate ships from coffee tables, tents from old sheets (remember how our grannies could make anything from an old clothes horse/airers).

Let them be Kings and Queens, Astronauts and Dragons. Fairies and Witches. Turn your home into these magical worlds and at the end of the day don't tidy them away (no-one is going to see them anyway) let them wake up and extend their learning. Research together lands, cities, countries and all creatures great and small. Camp in your yards and gardens, cook toast on fires, dance and sing and be anything you want to be.

Use this time to learn about each other and what we love. Switch off the tv and internet play games, silly games, be silly, dress up and turn up the music. Use this time as a very special gift to get off the hamster wheel. We might not have fancy crisps, juice or biscuits but a glass of water and a cracker on a set up picnic blanket in a castle made of furniture will be like a feast.

Yes we will send home packs and ideas but really will they want to do them (will you).?

However long this process is going to be let our children come out as brave roaring lions with new knowledge, resilience and strength for their futures.

We are here for you and we are here for each other. Be in your castles and safe.

Consett Infant Staff and Governor's.