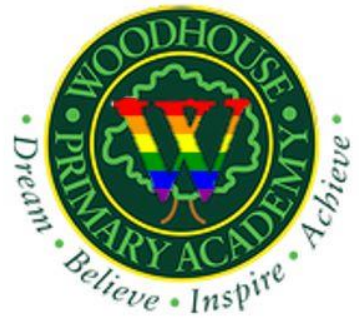


HOME LEARNING NEWSLETTER

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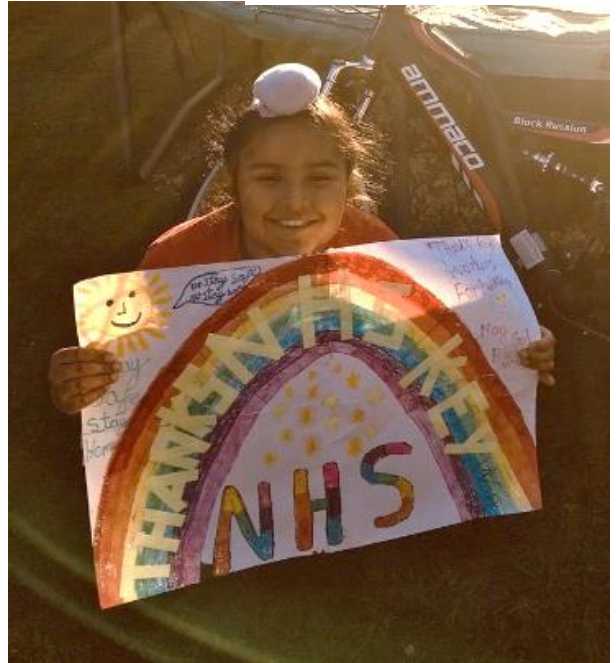
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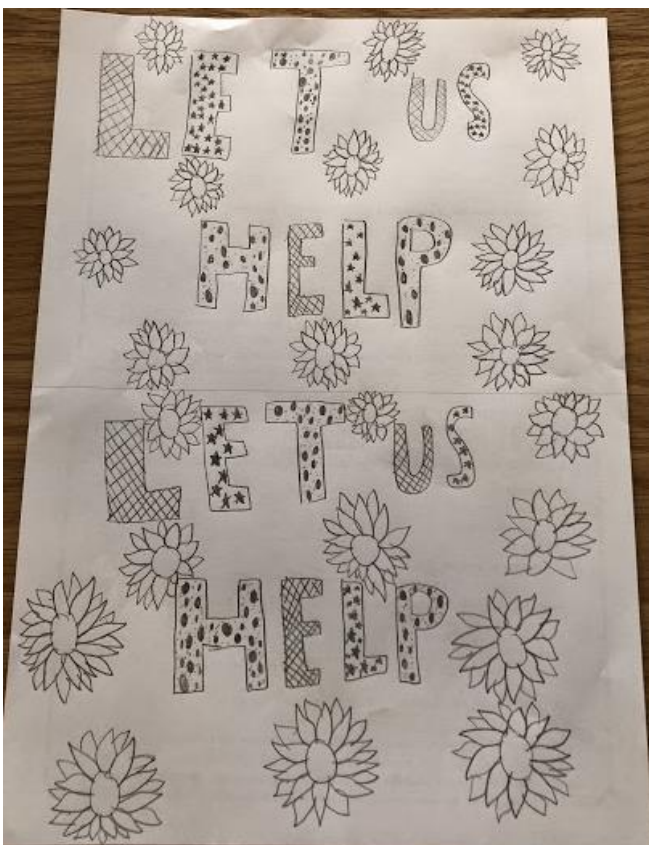


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- Use this for any queries about learning needs



Gurraj, 4W made this wonderful poster in support of key workers and the NHS.



Poppy, 4W and her family have embraced the feeling of community spirit that has come out of this difficult time. Together they have created and posted a leaflet to 200 of their neighbours offering their support.

They have since created a group of like-minded people who now offer support to people in need.

They spend their own time helping others with things like shopping and running errands. They have been shopping for a 95-year-old neighbour who usually relies on her 90-year-old sister to do her shopping.

This is a truly incredible thing to do and we are all so proud of Poppy, Josh and their family.

Dear parents and carers,

This should have been our first newsletter of a new summer term – of course the changes we have all had to make mean that this is another newsletter of our “new normal”. I hope you are all ok and staying as safe as you can by following the government guidance.

As you know, despite our school being closed for most children to help limit the spread of Covid19, Woodhouse has remained open throughout the last 5 weeks for the children of critical workers and vulnerable children. I am grateful to the staff of our wonderful school who have worked so hard to provide care that is needed to enable our NHS, public services and a range of other essential businesses to carry on to help us all. The children who have had to attend school have been wonderful and their mature response to this crisis has been great. We remain open for these children for the foreseeable future.

During the crisis, I, like many of you, have been making the most of my daily exercise and walking or cycling around the local area. I have been delighted to see so many rainbows and messages of good luck to others in windows. We have these around school, and we are creating a display of the rainbows which help to celebrate the NHS and critical workers keeping us all safe. It is important to keep active and to make the most of the limited time we are allowed out of our homes. I hope you are keeping physically active, whether that is PE with Joe Wicks each day or any of the great sporting activities Mr Milliard has shared. Keeping ourselves healthy with good diet and regular exercise is one of the best forms of defence against Covid19 – make sure you look after your body at this time.

As well as keeping our bodies active, it is important to keep our minds active. From the start of this week the home learning has picked back up in pace after relaxing over the Easter “break”. It has been great to see the work children are submitting through Google Classrooms and to see the sharing of all the super things you are all doing at home. Make sure you are completing some of the wide range of activities, lessons and work set by our teachers each day – but remember that no one is expecting perfection! Do what you can, do what your child can – if you need help – just let us know by email: homelearning@woodhouse.priacademy.co.uk and we will do all we can. This help can also include printing and sending home work which does not require the internet or a device if that would be helpful. Just let us know if this is needed.

As well as home learning, I hope that you are able to spend time together as families: playing games, reading, cooking, doing craft, art, music, physical activity... I hope that the children are working hard in the home, and they are helping around the house – keeping our families safe and happy is a team effort after all! If you or your family need anything, then remember that you just need to let us know – either by email or phone – and we will do all we can to help you. If you are feeling under pressure and require support for food, learning materials or require help or advice – you just need to ask. There are also areas of support with finances, advice and care support which we can refer you to if it would be helpful. Though we can't physically see you, the same staff still have the same care about all our children and families. Please don't suffer in silence – we are here for you.

I hope that you are able to stay safe. Though we are all distant, I hope you know that you remain a key part of our school family and community. Please take care.

Yours sincerely, Mr Oliver Wilson – Head Teacher

Stars of the Week

The following children are Stars of the Week for the week ending 24th April

Nursery

Uzair
Azai

Reception

Ronel
Zunaira
Isabelle
Anaia

Year One

Mohammed K
Adelina
Michaela
Mollie

Year Two

Ella
Sonny
Laith
Aston

Year Three

Lacey
Divine
Ella
Joyce

Year Four

Tala
Zoe
Kaiya
Kenith
Poppy

Year Five

Mariyah
Rafiah
Bahir
Anzoer

Year Six

Travis
Annmaria
Dedar
Henry
Arsam
Fatima

Rainbow Room

Jack J

Congratulations to all of these children who have put in a fantastic effort this week with their home learning. They have been nominated by their teachers. We are really impressed with the level of learning from all children. What can you do to be Star of the Week next week?



Caiden and Ijaz are two of last week's Stars who thoroughly enjoyed their hot chocolate and buttons.

Keep up the excellent learning.

WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN UP TO OVER EASTER?



Ruby, 2F and Remi had planted daffodils for Mrs Farrant during October half term and they came through recently.

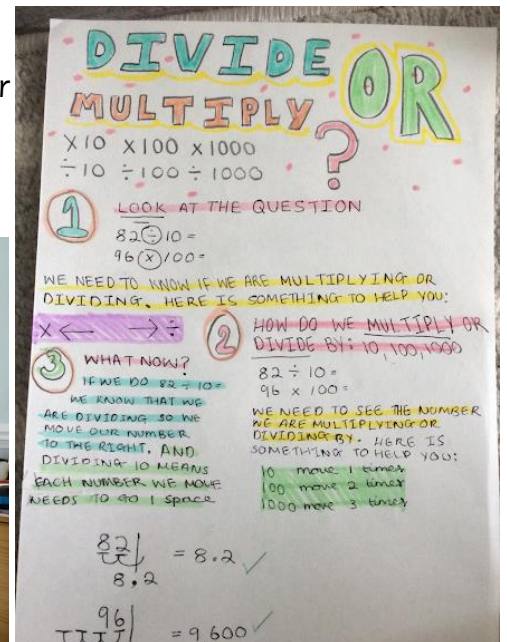
Ruby also decided to use her Easter chocolates to help her do her fractions work.



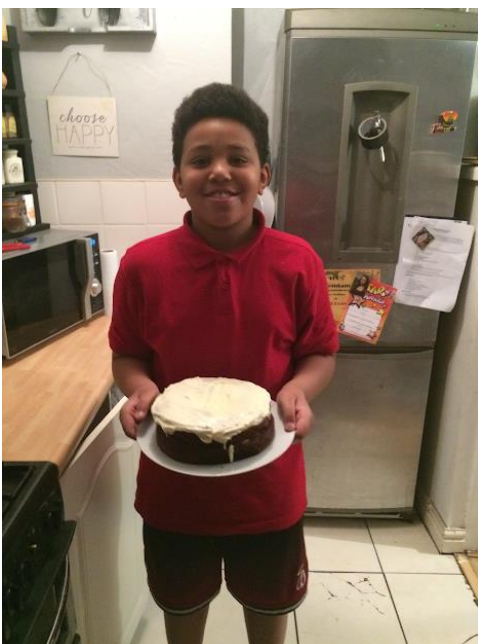
Rea, RW has been colouring at home in her Disney princess books.



Yusuf, 3N and Lass made a poster to help him divide and multiply.



Zoe, 3N & Thomas, 1OW couldn't go to church over Easter so they made their own paper palm crosses.



Leo, 5H made this tasty looking chocolate cake over Easter.

Henry, 6L has made this fantastic Anderson shelter as part of his World War theme. As they were mostly built underground, he has been testing its strength using his mom's dinner set.





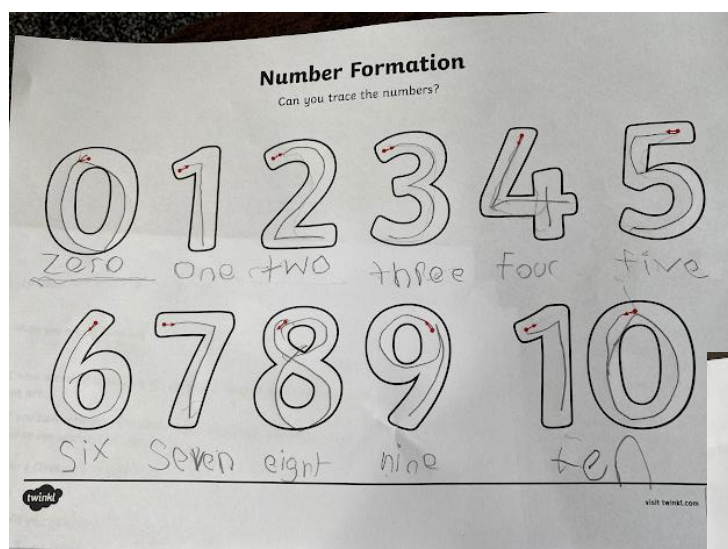
Faith, NSY has been caring for her pea plant that she planted at school. It has recently grown its first pea pod. Keep on watering Faith! She has also been making chocolate coated flapjack which looks delicious.



Anaia, RM has been hard at work practising her spelling and handwriting whilst learning about the planets. This is amazing work Anaia! Keep it up.

Planets	planets
Sun	sun
mercury	mercury
Venus	venus
Earth	Earth
Mars	MARS
Jupiter	Jupiter
Saturn	Saturn
Neptune	Neptune
Uranus	Uranus
Pluto	PLUTO
ANAIA	Anaia

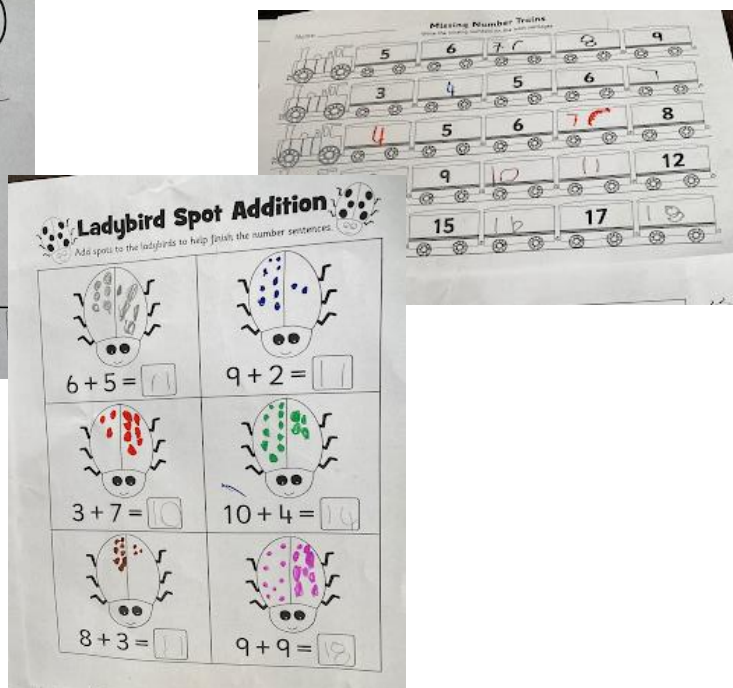
Muhammad, NSY has been practising writing his numbers and then writing the words underneath. Excellent work Muhammad!

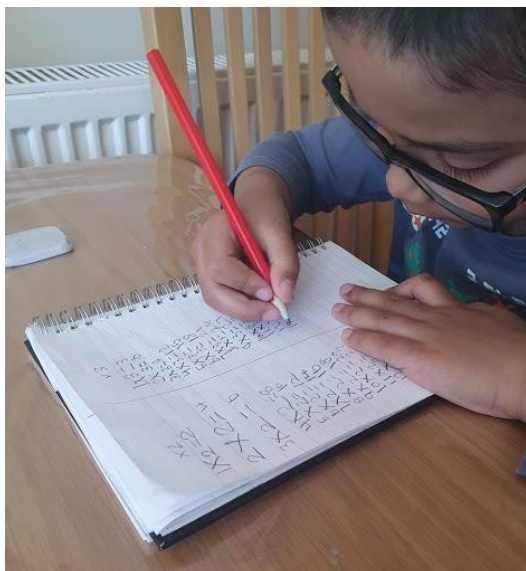


Saihaan, RM celebrated his birthday over the Easter break and helped his mom make this very tasty looking cake. Happy Birthday Saihaan!



Zunaira, RW has been doing some maths work, using ladybirds to help with her addition. She was really excited to get going on her work pack. Good work Zunaira!





Ijaz, 10W has been doing some maths work. He got some wrong but went through and corrected his mistakes. Super learning Ijaz, well done!

Eleanor, 10W has made this fantastic rainbow for Mr Wilson's NHS learning project. What a wonderful way to show your support for the amazing key workers!



Miss Wynne's class made cards for key workers at Birmingham Children's Hospital. They have received this photo back from a nurse in the ITU unit. Well done 5W!



You may remember a few weeks back, Mrs Kennedy started knitting hats, blankets and cardigans for the premature baby unit at Birmingham Women's hospital. A few of you got involved to help out. Here are some of the items she has knitted so far. Unfortunately, due to Covid-19 and the potential spread of infection, they cannot be sent. She will store them and send them in as and when she can. Thank you to everyone who helped out and made something.



Miss Mason set a challenge to Year 2 to read a bedtime story to their toys or siblings. Here we have Ella, 2F and Sarah, 2G reading with their teddies and Jonathan, 2F reading to his new born baby brother. This is fantastic to see. Keep on reading!



Ella has also been doing maths challenges in the garden and Jonathan has been busy planting vegetables. We look forward to seeing them when they grow.



Evie, 4W & Ella, 3N have been up to all sorts over the Easter break. Poetry, baking, craft, growing and more!



It's fantastic to see siblings learning together. Well done girls.

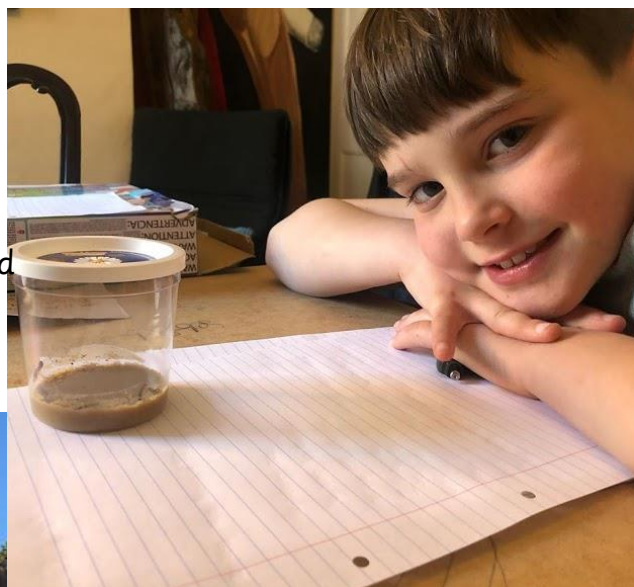
This is for the spine competition, Tasha the tap fairy, best friends, Sophia and rainbow, As old as time, OMG, TV star



Rory, 3N and Margot took advantage of the lovely weather by helping out in the garden and on the allotment. They are growing potatoes at the moment. We look forward to seeing them once they've grown.



Sebastian, 3N has been watching his caterpillars grow and writing about them. He will be letting them go in a few weeks' time once they have turned into butterflies. He is keeping his class posted on their progress via the Google classroom.



Meanwhile, at school, during some down time:

Mr Dunn and his Wacky Races.
(Parents, we hope you remember Wacky Races)

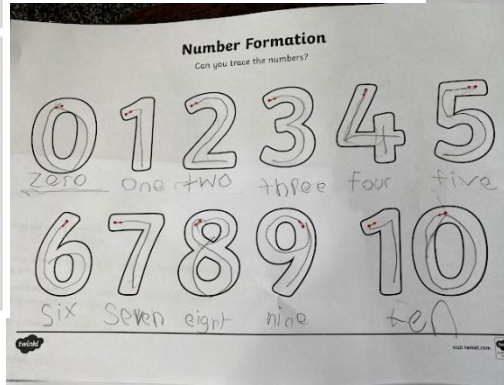
Lydia, RM baked banana muffins from a recipe posted by Mrs Shipstone.



Hi Everyone, I hope you're well. In Reception this week one of the stories we have been learning about is 'The Bad Tempered Ladybird'. The children have done some labelling in writing, counting in Maths and some drawing. Here is Mehar's drawing of a ladybird. – Mr Warlow



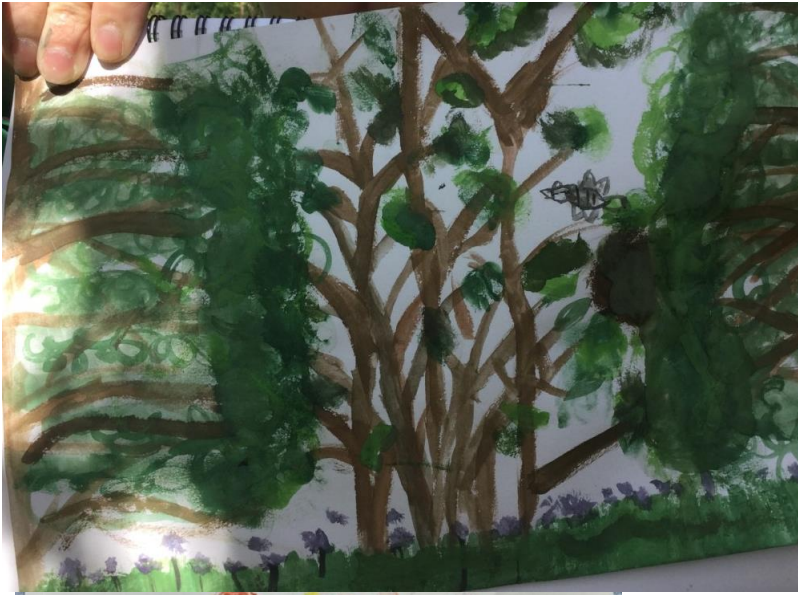
Uzair, NSY has been hard at work this week learning his numbers and shapes.



Lucas, RM has been helping his mommy water the garden. He has been learning about the different types of flowers and why they need water. Whilst he was doing it he found some spiders, woodlice, snails and caterpillars.



Toby, 3A has started work on the new Year 3 topic 'Stones & Bones'. He has matched up some descriptions of the variety of things that archaeologists do.



In school this week, Mrs Lewis has been doing art with the children. They visited Pitts Wood and did paintings and have done some African inspired printing.

Above we have Pitts Wood painting from Kimarnie, 5H (top) Akiylah, 4SO (bottom) and African prints from Tameika, 6WS (top) and Henry, 6L (bottom)

The
ART
Corner

ACCELERATED READER



Being in lockdown is a perfect opportunity to continue with your reading. You can access Accelerated Reader at home, as well as Myon. We've seen some fantastic examples of reading over the Easter break. Some photos of which are below. We'd love to see your photos of you reading. You could read to a family member, your pet, your toys. You could read out in the garden or tucked away in a corner somewhere.

The word count so far this year is a staggering: 54,181,531 with 6930 quizzes passed! Well done everyone.

Since school has been closed the children have read 4,027,270 words and have passed 819 quizzes! Exceptional!

The AR word count chart is available on the website and is updated by Mrs Scott.

Here is a short video that is really useful in supporting daily routines while school is closed:

https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/public/files/videos/EEF_Supporting_daily_routines_during_school_closures.mp4

Take part in City Nature Challenge

What: a global citizen science challenge

Why: to help us to record the wildlife of Birmingham and the Black Country

When: between Friday 24th and Monday 27th April

How: visit [iNaturalist.org](https://www.inaturalist.org) or download the app from [Apple](#) or [Google Play](#)

Find out more [here](#)

This is the first year that Birmingham and the Black Country have entered and to take part all you need to do is to download the free iNaturalist app and start recording any wildlife you see from 'weeds' to bugs, butterflies, birds, pond creatures and mammals.

If you are able to upload a photo, the sophisticated species-recognition software in the app will help you to identify what you see, making it a brilliant tool for learning about your garden wildlife! Once you upload your sighting, a community of iNaturalist users will then look at your photo to see if they think the species name is correct and may suggest an alternative.

Please stay safe and follow government guidelines when recording wildlife.

Below is some health advice, prepared by The Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health, for parents to consider during the COVID pandemic. As with all advice, please seek advice from medical professionals if you are unsure or concerned about anything.

“If parents are concerned they should contact their GP or dial 111 or, if very worried, go to a local urgent care centre or to A&E. Hospitals have measures in place to help protect people from COVID-19 and full personal protection equipment is available for all consultations taking place with patients in our local hospitals.”

 RED	<p>If your child has any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Becomes pale, mottled and feels abnormally cold to the touch• Has pauses in their breathing, or irregular breathing pattern or starts grunting• Severe difficulty in breathing becoming agitated or unresponsive• Is going blue round the lips• Has a fit/seizure• Becomes extremely distressed (crying inconsolably), confused, very lethargic / difficult to wake or unresponsive• Develops a rash that does not disappear with pressure (the 'Glass test')• Has testicular pain, especially in teenage boys	<p>You need urgent help:</p> <p>Go to the nearest A&E or phone 999</p>
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Further advice can be found at: <https://www.rcpch.ac.uk/key-topics/covid-19>

Or

<https://www.nhs.uk/using-the-nhs/nhs-services/urgent-and-emergency-care/nhs-111/>



AMBER

If your child has any of the following:

- Is finding it hard to breathe
- Seems dehydrated (dry mouth, sunken eyes, no tears, drowsy or passing less urine than usual)
- Is becoming drowsy / sleepy or irritable and you are unable to settle them - especially if they remain drowsy or irritable despite their fever coming down
- Has extreme shivering or complains of muscle pain
- Babies under 3 months of age with a temperature above 38°C / 100.4°F
- Infants 3-6 months of age with a temperature above 39°C / 102.2°F
- For all infants and children with a fever above 38°C for more than 5 days
- Has persistent vomiting and/or persistent severe abdominal pain
- Has blood in their poo or wee
- Any limb injury causing reduced movement, persistent pain or head injury causing persistent crying or drowsiness
- Is getting worse or if you are worried

You need to contact a doctor or nurse today:

Please ring your GP surgery or call NHS 111 - dial 111

If symptoms persist for 4 hours or more and you have not been able to speak to either a GP or 111, then take your child to the nearest A&E



GREEN

If none of the previous features highlighted are present:

- You can continue to provide your child care at home. Information is also available on NHS Choices
- Additional advice is available to families for coping with crying of well babies at <http://iconcope.org>
- Additional advice is available for children with complex health needs and disabilities at <https://www.wellchild.org.uk/2020/04/02/my-child-is-unwell-but-not-with-covid-19/>

Self care:

Continue providing your child's care at home. If you are still concerned about your child, call NHS 111 - dial 111