



# IGHTHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

15th January 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you have had a good week and are keeping safe and well. Hopefully, things have begun to settle into a slightly more familiar pattern for you in what is undoubtedly a very challenging time for us all.

May I take this opportunity to thank those parents that have taken the time to contact us with positive words of encouragement. The staff and I really do appreciate it. It is a very different way of working and everyone is working extremely hard to support our children and families.

It has been confirmed that all statutory assessment requirements for KS1 and 2 have been cancelled for this academic year. This includes:

- KS1 tests and teacher assessments
- KS2 tests and teacher assessments
- phonics screening check (Year 1)

Some of you may remember that Craig Jenkins, a professional storyteller, has come into school for the last two years to work with our children. He was extremely well received on both occasions. I am delighted to say that he will be leading two online sessions for us in February – one for EYFS and KS1, and the other for KS2. I shall send out more details in due course. Thank you to the PSA for funding this. It is something a little bit different, and I'm sure the children will enjoy it.

## **Online Resources**

You may find these online resources helpful for use at home:

[PhonicsPlay](#)

[TES 100 Fiction Books All Children Should Read Before Leaving Primary School \(listchallenges.com\)](#)

[Lockdown science \(whizzpopbang.com\)](#)

[National Geographic Kids](#)



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