



**Schools closed, but I still
have to go into school!**

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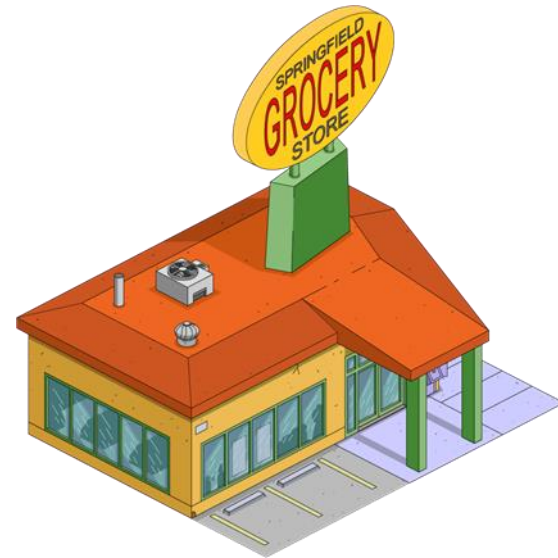
Everything is different we know. School friends and some familiar adults are all missing from school and they're at home, it doesn't seem fair!

Everyone is having to do their bit to help stop this bug being spread.

Your Mummy or Daddy have a very important job. They may work in our hospitals or food shops. Life can not carry on if they don't go to work. People who are sick need doctors & nurses to get better and they need support staff to help run the hospitals and doctors surgeries.



Everybody still needs to eat and drink. People still need to go to the food shop to buy the food. People who work in these shops need to go into work for this to happen. They may drive a lorry taking the food to the shop or work in the shops stacking shelves or working at the check out. They are all important working together.



If your parents stayed at home to look after you, wherever they work will be short of staff, and they would be greatly missed.

By keeping the schools open for some children it allows parents to work. This helps us fight this bug.

By coming to school you are kept safe. You will be socially distancing yourselves from everyone in school. Having different break times. Washing your hands so many times a day.

You might not have to come to school every day, just the days your parents would normally work while you're at school.

Their job is very important at the moment, you are very kind in allowing everyone to borrow your very special parents.

By doing this now will help us fight and get rid of the bug quickly so things can go back to normal.

Your friends maybe at home, BUT they are still having to do the same work you're doing in school.

Some of your friends or someone in their families maybe unwell or at greater risk of catching the bug. To keep them safe and reduce the bug spreading they have to stay at home.

It's hard for them too.

Where ever you may be in school or at home, you are all doing your bit in fighting the bug.

We are all super hero's and should be proud of ourselves.



Talk to the adults at school and your parents about how you are feeling, it's important they know.

It's ok to be sad that you're not at home with your parents.

Together we will get through these strange times.

