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Hi children,

Hope you are all keeping well and making the most of the glorious sunshine this week. The staff are all missing you very much and cannot wait to hear about your experiences during this unusual time once we are all safely back together again!

We have been invited by the Diocese to take part in a very exciting lockdown project – ‘Looking to the Rainbow’. This involves learning and recording a very special song, much like many celebrities have been busy doing. The song has been written by Becky Drake especially for children and shares a wonderful message of hope.

All of the resources you will need are on the Home Learning Resources part of our school website. You will need to listen to and start learning the song straight away as you only have until **THIS SATURDAY** to send your video.

So, here’s what you need to do:

1. Watch the YouTube clip of The Blue Coat chapel choir singing. This will introduce the song and give you an idea of what we are hoping to create. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GAVCHH6ZO2s>
2. Listen to and learn the song from the backing track with supporting vocals (please see links on <https://worshipforeveryone.com/looking-to-the-rainbow>). You can use the lyrics and this same track when you record your video, so don’t worry about trying to learn it off by heart.
3. Ask someone to record you singing the song. You don’t need to wear school uniform – perhaps choose a nice, bright outfit! Please see below for some top tips for this stage of the process...
4. Finally, send your video recording to me via email at office@himbleton.worcs.sch.uk and I will do the rest (with a little help from some friends!).

We intend to circulate our finished video on YouTube, social networking platforms and on our school website, so you will need to have your parents’ permission to submit a video.

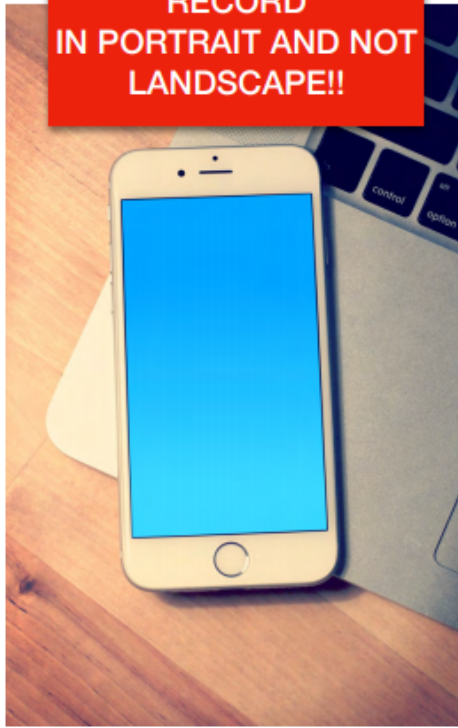
We’re going to be working to a short deadline so that we can share this as soon as possible. If anyone misses the deadline, unfortunately your video won’t be in the final edit, especially because it is the editing part which will take the longest time.

REMEMBER, THE DEADLINE FOR YOUR VIDEO IS THIS SATURDAY (9th May).

I really hope you enjoy learning and performing this wonderful song. Hopefully the finished project will help to bring our Himbleton family a little closer together again.

Mrs Hedges

**GET THEM TO
RECORD
IN PORTRAIT AND NOT
LANDSCAPE!!**



Record the singer on a smartphone. The camera and mic quality is plenty good enough nowadays for this job. It also makes sharing the finished video easy. Tell them to get someone to hold the phone for them



It's probably a good idea to get the singers to perform in headphones, that way you only record their voices and not the backing track as well.



Make sure they SMILE!!