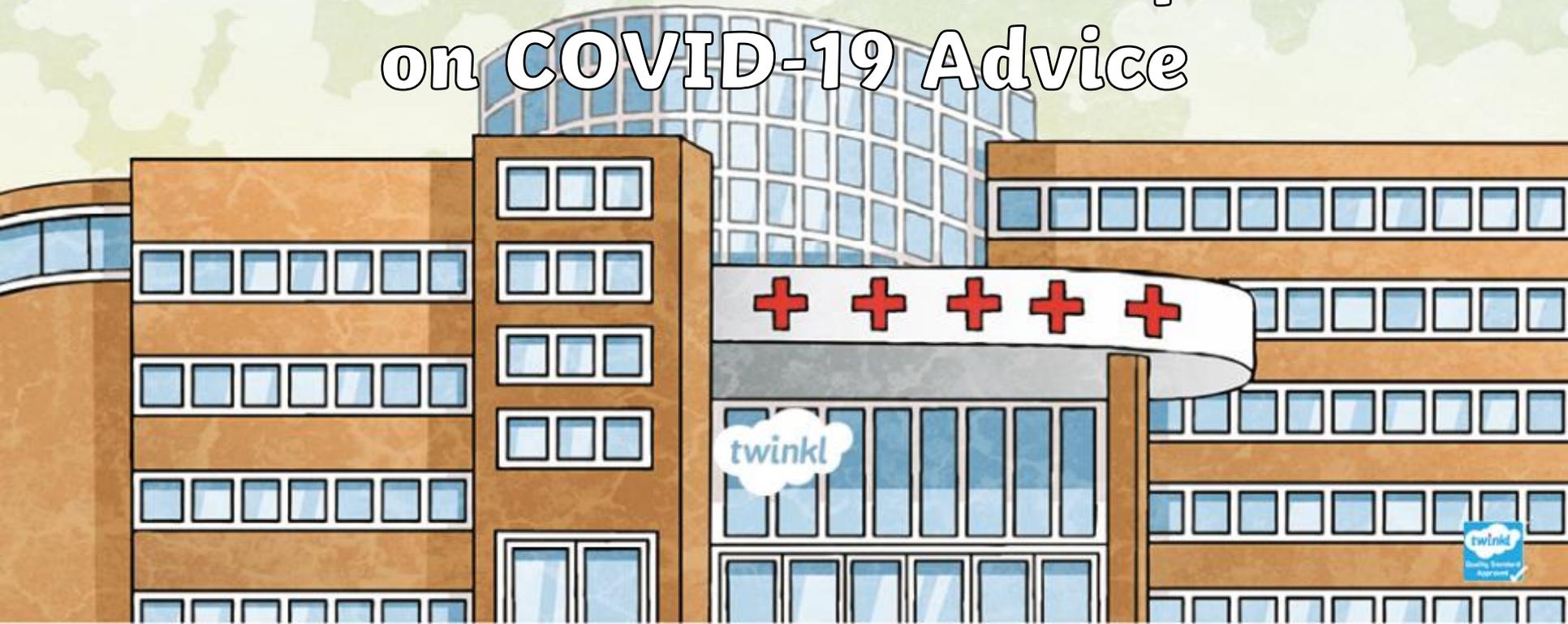


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19.3.2020 Coronavirus

UK Government Gives Update
on COVID-19 Advice





What Is Being Done about It?

In Wuhan, China, new hospitals have been built to help people with coronavirus.

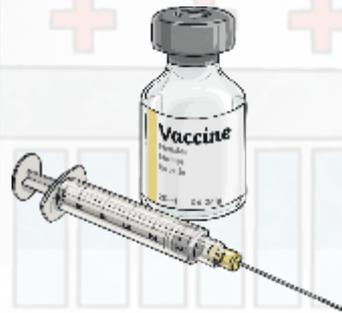
In some countries across the world, schools have been closed. This is to reduce the risk of the virus spreading. Teachers are using the internet to teach children. Most UK schools are staying open at the moment.



The World Health Organisation is also working with countries to learn about the virus and help governments respond.



Scientists are also working to develop a vaccine. This would help protect people from the virus.



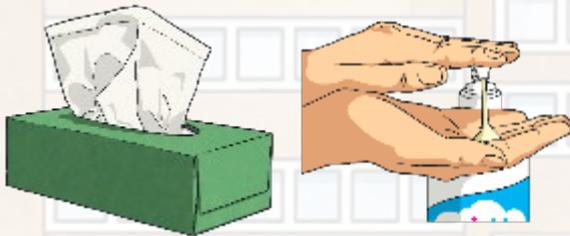


What Can We Do?

The government says that there are a lot of things we can do to stay safe.

If you cough or sneeze, catch it with a tissue, bin it and then wash your hands with hot water and soap.

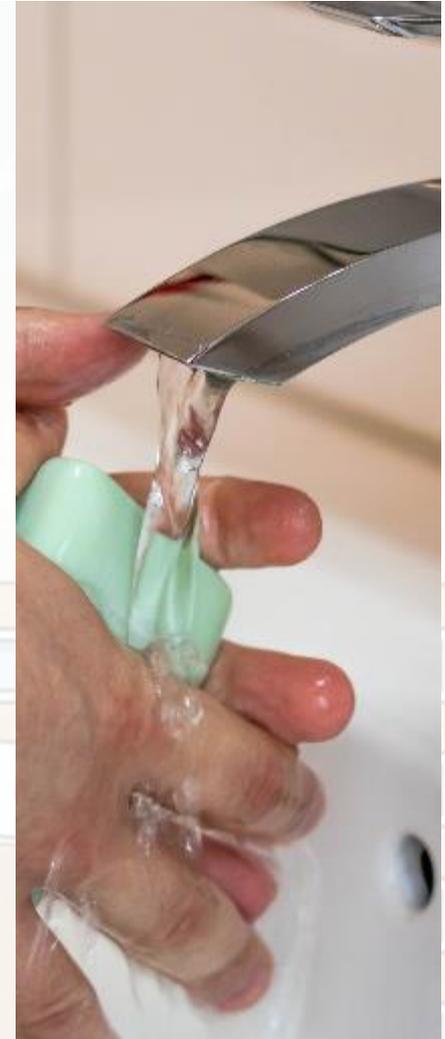
Use soap and hot water to wash your hands after you use the toilet, before you eat and after break.



Sing while you wash!
Doctors say that if you sing 'Happy Birthday' twice while washing your hands, you will make sure you wash for a good amount of time.



We can also look out for others. You can give older relatives or people who might be self-isolating a call.





What Changes Might I See?

You may see changes in your life as people start something called social distancing. Therefore, people will not be seeing each other in person.

Social distancing means people will not be going to big sporting events and concerts.

It may also mean that some of your clubs may not be happening for the time being.

At some point, schools might close and adults may start to work from home.

This won't be happening forever and things will get back to normal.

This doesn't mean you can't communicate with other people! You may just have to think of different ways of doing it, like calling someone on the phone.





What Should I Do If I'm Upset by the News?

Some of the things we see or hear in the news are upsetting.

It's normal to feel upset or worried about the news. Adults often do as well.

The news can sometimes make things seem scarier than they are. You can find out the facts about the news using child-friendly news sites.

Remember that upsetting events are rare – that's why they're in the news.

Talking to a trusted adult can help you to feel safe and help you think of things you can do if you feel worried or upset in the future.

Drawing or writing about your worries might also help you to understand your emotions.



Ask yourself how you can help. We often feel better if we've an opportunity to help others.



Learn more about what to do if the news upsets you [here](#).



What do you do when you feel upset?





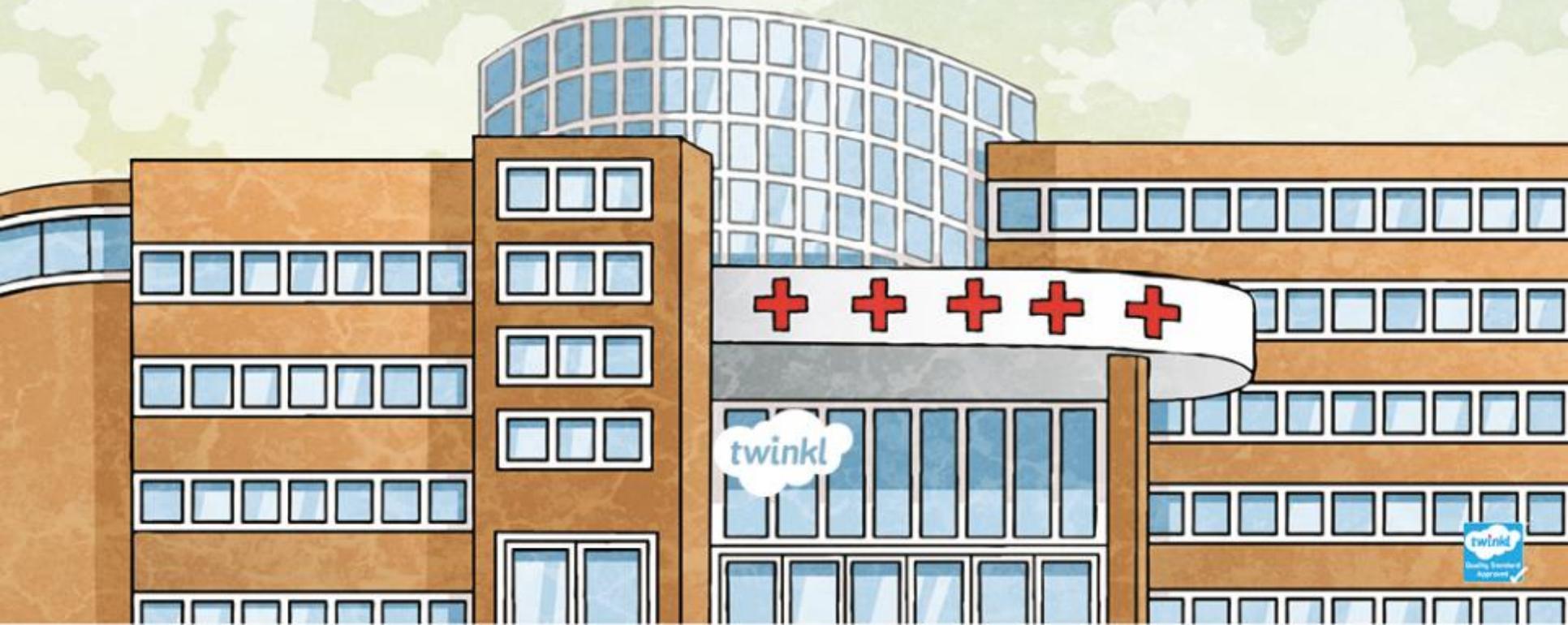
Glossary

Word	Definition
virus	A very small particle which can cause an illness.
symptoms	A physical or mental sign of an illness.
treatment	Medical care given for an illness or injury.
social	Meeting other people and talking to others.



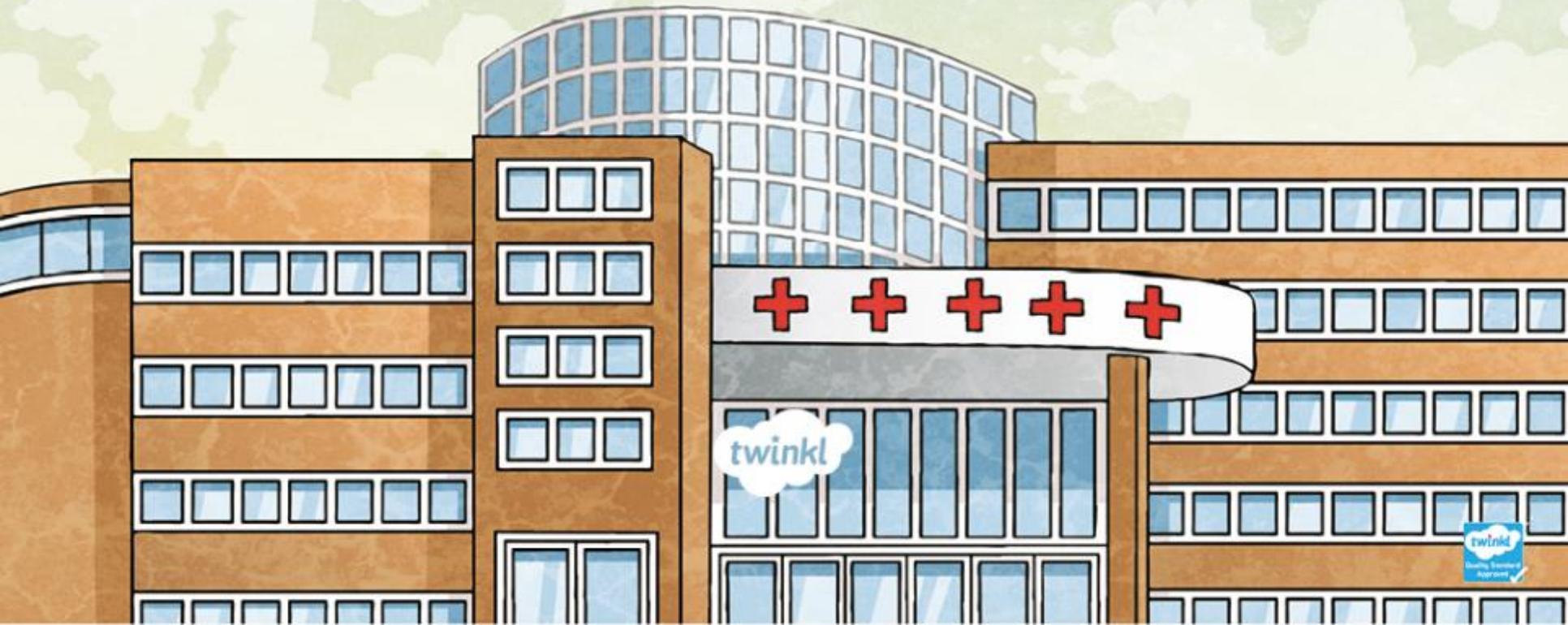
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USE THE FOLLOWING SLIDES
IF WE ARE INFORMED WE ARE
CLOSING



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School Closure



Why are we closing?

* The Government have decided that if we close schools, we can help stop the virus spreading.

When will school open again?

The honest answer is, we don't know. What we do know is that your teachers will have prepared some work for you to do at home whilst we are closed.

What homework will I have?

Maths whizz, Timestable Rockstars, you can do reading. You will get a pack of learning + a notebook. Your teacher will explain this to you. Your teacher will use google classroom with you.

What if I don't have the internet?

Your teacher has a list of children who don't have the internet and they will make sure you have things to do.

Can I go outside?

This will be up to your parents and will depend on if anyone in your family has a cough or a temperature.

What about our trips and the Easter egg raffle?

All your trips have been postponed for now. When it is safer to visit and school is open again, we will re-arrange them. The Easter raffle will still happen – even if it's after Easter! Mrs Blow and Mrs Kira promise not to eat the Easter egg stash!!



What if I am worried about being at home? Who can I tell?

1. Tell your teacher or an adult in your room TODAY.
2. Speak with Mrs Blow, Mrs Kira or Mr Carrington.
3. If you are at home, ring NSPCC on:

0808 800 5000