

Koby Keep Your Distance

A Tale

Lily and Tim had been off school for what felt like ages, they really missed their friends.

That day they had done some maths with Mum, then some baking with Dad and were now out playing in the garden. They were in the front garden because Tim wanted to play with his football and Mum had said that there were less flowers to crush in the front. Lily was playing with her new skipping rope that Grandma had sent her in the post.



"Hi Tim, Hi Lily!" the children looked up as they heard voices calling their names. Across the street they saw two of their friends from school who were out for their daily exercise. "Hi guys" they called back to them "It's so good to see you!".

"Look at my new skipping rope" called Lily, but the others could not really see it from the distance.

"Mum," called Tim and Lily "Can we go and play with Dean and Sue? I want to show them my skipping rope" added Lily.

FLASH! BANG! A bright streak of green light suddenly shot across garden. The children jumped back in amazement.

"Arrhh" cried Lily as she dropped her skipping rope!

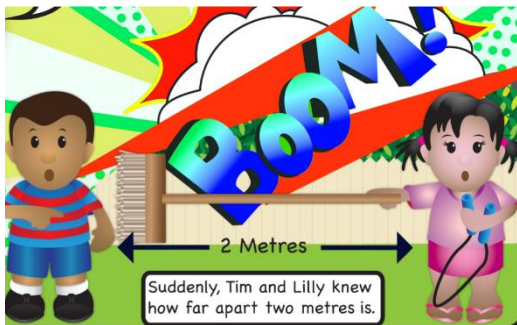
"What?.. Who?... Who are you?" cried Tim as the green blur slowed down and they could see it was a person!

"I'm Koby Keep Your Distance" the green blur announced "I'm a C19 Mini Superhero! It's my job to help you stay safe from the virus."



"It's very important that you stay at least two metres apart from anyone who isn't living in your home at the moment." continued Koby, "It's to help stop the virus spreading and help keep you safe and well."

"But how long is two metres?" asked Lily.



BOOM! Suddenly Lily and Tim found themselves at opposite sides of the garden. "It's that long" laughed Koby as Lily and Tim started chuckling about the strange way they had just moved.

"Oh," said Tim "that's about as long as this fence panel, I can remember that as I use that as my football goal." "Or just a bit longer than this broom" said Lily picking it off the grass and holding it up.

"That's right" Koby agreed, "Try to work out different things which are two metres long and then you can imagine how far it is when you are outside. It's very important that you keep your distance, that way we can help keep everyone safe and well."

"But how can I talk to my friends?"

"What about a phone call or a video chat?" suggested Koby

"Great idea!" said Lily and she shouted across the road "We can't come and play but I will call you for a video chat later and show you my skipping rope."

"Thanks for understanding" said Koby "It's important that we stay two metres apart from people who do not live in our home."

You too can become a C19 Mini Superhero just like Koby. You just need to remember to Keep Your Distance.

