

15th April 2020

### Week 3 Update

Dear Parents/Carers,

I do hope you, the children and your wider families all had a relaxing Easter. It was beautiful weather, which is typical just when we cannot get out of our homes. However, whether you have a garden or not, I hope you all managed to get out for fresh air and some daily exercise albeit at a safe distance from others. Even though we still remain in lockdown there are always positives. One positive being we are spending more time with our families which was always hard to do when we all had busy lives. Make the most of it because when we get back to normal, this will be a distant memory.

I am writing to you this week as tomorrow should be the first day back for term 5 to begin. Historically, term 5 is always a busy testing term with phonics, SATs and multiplication tests taking place. However, that will not be happening this year. This is always the shortest term of the academic year before the May half term holiday.

As you all know, the lockdown across the country continues and school will remain closed tomorrow for all but key worker and vulnerable children. You must remain at home to keep safe. Like you, I have been watching the news every day as the government are due to review lockdown procedures this week. Hopefully we will get some encouraging news with a timescale moving forward. I noticed the other day that we have just over 12 weeks left of the school year. I am still praying that we will be back for term 6 to finish the academic year off, but let's wait and see.

As the new term will be starting tomorrow the school website will fire up again. We will continue to add new work and links in due course. Please don't feel pressured to complete everything and all in one go. Hopefully this work is manageable and easy to navigate. We have tried to keep it to work that can be completed at home rather than what we do at school. Even if you don't do any work on one day it isn't the end of the world. Spending time with the family is also important. If there was one thing I would advise you do with the children it is read, read, read.

I will write a letter next week to update you all. I have virtual meetings (the new modern day thing), throughout the week, so if I get any news or updates I will of course let you know.

I hope the children continue to learn new things, help around the house and behave! Please say a big hello from me.

Stay at home, protect the NHS, save lives  
Mr Marshall  
Head of School



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