



Newsletter

Dear Parents and Friends,

The 'Easter Holiday' draws to a close and I'm sure many of you have been reflecting on trips that were planned and never taken and get-togethers that were unable to take place. At least the weather has been on our side, and lying on my sun lounger yesterday with the radio on and my eyes closed was very like Torremolinos!



Emergency Key Worker Childcare

Childcare for Key Workers continued over the holiday period and we had between three and seven children each day. Again, the weather enabled the children to get outdoors as much as possible. Again, I would like to thank the staff here at Stubbins, who are coming into work to provide childcare for Key Workers – even during the Easter Holidays including Good Friday and Easter Monday. Next week the numbers will rise again as we move into what should have been the start of the summer term.

School Closure

There is still no news as to when schools might re-open. It would be good for the children if we could open to some extent before the summer, but we are obliged to follow the Government's guidance on this. I am sure you would agree that the health and wellbeing of the children, staff and parents should come first. As soon as I know anything, I will let you know. In the meantime it is good to know that the school Site Supervisor, Mr Stansfield, is giving the school a thorough deep clean.



"Until now, I never understood why you got so excited when someone walked past the house."

Children's Home Work

From Monday, Teachers will be refreshing the work on the school website and communicating again just as they did before the Easter break. Look out for the new challenges being set and for links to online resources. *If you have no internet access, please telephone school so that we can prepare something for you to collect from the office. (I will be texting this advice out to parents.)* As I said to parents last week, you are also doing an incredible job – keeping the house running, trying to lift everybody's spirits and juggling with some home-education! Being at home with the kids all the time is not easy. I have attached a document, which was sent to me by the Lancashire School Advisory Service, by Suzanne Zeedyk and entitled **"Fed up of being cooped up in lockdown with the kids? 15 Apr 2020"**.

Health Advice

I have re-read the advice I gave on the special Newsletter I wrote on Monday 16th March, and I thought it was worth repeating:

'Finally, whilst I am not a health professional, I would like to offer some further thoughts. Regular hand washing and avoiding contact with people who may be infected is key. I think, however, that it is likely that many of us will encounter the virus and the vast majority of us will recover quite quickly. I would advise that we all keep as strong as possible by eating healthily, exercising and getting plenty of fresh air. The healthier we remain, the stronger we will be to fight any infection that we meet. Also, please take care of those in vulnerable groups or who live alone. Self-isolation has mental health implications of which we should be mindful. This is not a time for selfishness, but for support and understanding.'



Stay Well ☺

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