



Dear Parents and Friends,

What a half term week! The weather has been glorious and there seems to be some light at the end of the tunnel. In school, we have had a small group of Key Worker children every day and they have been wonderful. Meanwhile, all the preparations were being put in place for Year 6 to return on Monday. Late in the day on Wednesday, however, Lancashire released a statement which said:

## COVID19 Bulletin – 27th May 2020 Advice to schools on reopening to more pupils



### Summary

Lancashire County Council is advising schools in the county not to open to more pupils from 1 June, but instead to continue with the current arrangements. This is because, in our assessment, we do not currently meet all five of the government's tests in Lancashire which would allow this decision to be taken safely.

We will regularly review the situation and provide further advice so that we can advise schools to open to more pupils as soon as we judge it safe to do so.

We are actively encouraging schools to follow this advice.

I share your frustration at this whole situation, but I hope you understand that the Governors and I could not act against the advice of Lancashire County Council. It is our sincerest wish that we will be able to welcome the Year 6 children into school as soon as it is safe to do so, and when Lancashire County Council give the green light. We are continuing to offer childcare to children of Key Workers and to children with additional needs.

### *And now for some good news...*

#### The Raft Foundation



Resourceful Action for Transformation

#### **Raising Money for RAFT!**

You may remember that our school donates food items to RAFT at Harvest time. RAFT are a constituted community group formed in 2012 to serve and support the community of Rossendale, Lancashire. Their projects to date include the only Rossendale based foodbank service.

Last Friday two of our children, Ben and Issy Jones, were inspired to do a running challenge, and in the process raise money for RAFT to help others. So on Monday they ran a lap, (700m, Issy and 1300m Ben), every hour from 7:30am to 4:30pm, 20k in total. It was hot and got difficult at times, but smiles throughout and thoroughly enjoyed. They made a little report about it **see attached**. Last time they checked they had raised the incredible amount of £900, far exceeding the £200 we had thought they might raise. **Well done Ben & Issy!**

I would once again like to thank my staff for the care they have provided during this troubling time, and also thank you, the parents and friends of Stubbins School, for your continued understanding and support.

*Stay Well 😊*

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