



# Newsletter

Friday 29th January 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

Thank you to everyone for your support over the last few weeks. Firstly, thank you to our critical workers for all their hard work at this harrowing time.

Thank you also to those parents who are keeping their children at home and working themselves. We appreciate how difficult this must be for you and are truly grateful for the commitment this has taken. Finally, thank you to everyone who has reduced hours or days of children attending school. We really appreciate this too, as it is helping to keep our whole school community safe.

On another note, please remember to ensure school have your most up to date mobile numbers, just in case we have to close a bubble.

Very best wishes.

Gill Finney.



## Dates For Your Diary

12th Feb 2021—Break up for half term

22nd Feb 2021— Return to school

26th March 2021—Break up for Easter

12th April 2021—Return to school

No new dates have been added as we are having no unnecessary visitors into school at the moment.

## Teacher Communication Times

Just to let you know that the staff will be available from 8.30am until 5pm to respond to messages and mark work. If you email or dojo after this time, or send work that your child has completed later on in the day, the staff working in the classroom will respond the following morning.

Many thanks for your support with this.

## Lockdown Continues

You will have all read my letter regarding work for the children this week. The staff are constantly updating their resources and finding other exciting things for your children to complete.

Some parents are asking for packs for their children, but please liaise with the class teacher if you are experiencing some difficulties with the work set, as they will be able to help you and discuss the best way forward. If your child can access what the rest of the class are doing, they will be able to continue to follow the curriculum and all the benefits this has to offer. We are not saying we will not provide packs, but there may be some alternatives to help you if you discuss this with the teacher.

Some parents are finding it difficult to work themselves and complete all the work the children have been set as well. As I have always said, please do what you can and if you can't complete it all, then this is fine.

Children at this time will benefit from being outdoors, having a walk, helping to tidy up the garden, enjoying the fresh air as they do every week in school. Stanah is a great place to let off some steam and whilst you are there, you can talk about the estuary, the tide, the boats and wildlife - there's your Geography lesson! Equally, they may like to bake, help cook dinner, tidy their bedroom, help with the cleaning, mopping the floor and dusting, to name but a few. These are all life skills which the children will benefit from in later life, so why not take the opportunity at this time to teach them these vital skills needed for adulthood. Please send photographs in to your teacher - we would love to see them and with your permission, we will put the best ones on our Facebook page - now there's a challenge!

We appreciate that life is difficult at the moment and that many adults and children are struggling with the different routines. Let's work together to ensure that this experience is as positive as it can be for everyone.

