Reminder: All School Based Clubs/Events cancelled

20th March 2020

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What's on				
Monday 23rd March	Tuesday 24th March	Wednesday 25th March	Thursday 26th March	Friday 27th March
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News from The Executive Head's Desk

Thank you to everyone for all your lovely messages of support and appreciation of staff in our school. It is indeed a strange time in our world right now but it is evident from social media reports, news report and of course from local things I have heard that we are all remembering we are a community and that together we can get through this.

Our children are brilliant. They have continued to learn and keep persevering as the week has gone on. They naturally are curious and concerned about what the next weeks will bring but we are being honest with them and explaining that as with other viruses we need to maintain our health and hygiene through washing our hands and maintaining some elements of social isolation. We have been greeting each other with a smile and a bow. For those families who are now self-isolating we miss the children and your faces but we have started to receive emails/photographs and messages about the things they are getting up to. They are accessing our home learning activities and of course they can interact with their class teacher through the website and the chat room. We have of course talked to them about chat room etiquette and being sensible when they message. It is important that everyone keeps learning each day to keep the brain active. Reading, writing, times tables, number bonds, PE activities, learning about other cultures, playing a musical instrument all these things will keep your child engaged and happy and well.

My message to you is take each day as it comes. For now the schools are closed for 2 weeks to the majority of children then we will have Easter holidays. Let's cross the next bridge when it comes. For those children who will be able to still come on to school site we have staff who are working together to care for the children during school hours and we are planning activities where they are engaged and can also complete the activities we have set on line

All statutory assessments for this year are cancelled; Y6, Y2, Y1 phonics and Y4 multiplication tests. There will be no performance tables published next year. However, teachers have plenty of ongoing assessment information and know their children well. We keep detailed information about progress and when we return we will ensure that all children have areas of the curriculum retaught to close gaps. But that is another bridge and we'll deal with that in due course.

School is going to have a lovely clean whilst the majority of people are not in and we have cleared surfaces and key displays to ensure we are clean and fresh. I could do with my own house being done as well to be honest.

I will keep in touch with you all in one form or another. Keep an eye on our website, check your emails and actually have some family time as best you can. Thank you to all of you who are keeping us all safe and well we appreciate it.

'Most obstacles melt away when we make up our minds to walk boldly through them' Orison Swett Marden.

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Useful websites to support learning

<u>https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/</u> - selection of e-books and other resources.

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 ★ KS1 and KS2 quizzes on a range of
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https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/ phonic games and activities.
 Username: march20 Password: home

https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/ games - educational games suited for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

Warwickshire School Health and Wellbeing Services

The school health and wellbeing team can be contacted in the following ways if support and advice is needed:

- Parents/carers can call the service on 03300 245 204 or text Parentline on 07520 619 376.
- Young people aged 11-19 can text ChatHealth on **07507 331 525** (see attached for ChatHealth poster).
- These services are available Monday-Thursday 9am-5pm and Friday 9am-4.30pm.

Our service webpage contains useful information for children, young people and their families and will be updated with the latest information and advice from our service: https://www.compass-uk.org/services/warwickshire-school-health-wellbeing-service/

Support and information is also available from the Family Information Service (FIS)

https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/fis

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WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS





What have you enjoyed this half term?

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"In science this week we have been looking at plants we can find outside. We wrote poems about spring—we looked at Shakespeare's sonnet 18 to help us" - Roman, Fox-

"I really enjoyed making the magical woodland from A Midsummer Night's Dream" William, Otters

"This term I've enjoyed having Scribbles in school!" Ben, Owls

"This term I like when we did the food topic and we drew lots of different fruits and it was fun!" Jessie, Owls

"I enjoyed reading A Midsummer Night's Dream and meeting all the different characters" Hayes, Otters

"I enjoyed making things in Year 3 and I've enjoyed our maths lessons. In maths we have been doing a lot of measuring" Karamveen, Owls

"This week we have been learning about Romeo and Juliet and we have painted our umbrella showing this play and made roses" Daisy, Squirrels

"I liked reading the Fox and the Star and learning all about foxes. We learnt the word timid and dense" Kym, Otters

"In maths we are learning about adding and subtracting fractions, for example 10/5—5/5 = 5/5" Etana, Squirrels

"I liked colouring the pig pictures in Farmer Duck" Indie-Rose, Butterflies

"I enjoyed making Mother's Day cards and helping doing jobs about school. I've also loved Forest School, except the part when I got mud on me! I enjoyed drawings and making Top Trump cards but I'm not happy about not coming to school on Monday, I will miss school" Tegan, Owls

> "This week in Squirrels we have been learning about the digestive system and we were imagining that we were a piece of food travelling through the digestive system" Ella, Squrriels

"The Year 4's have been working on lovely Mother's day surprises and every class including Year 4 have been doing some Shakespeare related things involving umbrellas and painting" Ahijah, Squrriels

"I liked the Skittles experiment in science week" Emily, Butterflies





