Friday 3rd April 2020

To our Westwood Family

Dear Westwood Family,

We hope you are well? We are missing you so much; yet we know you have been really busy with your families but staying safe too! We have been so heartened by the support and positivity you are all showing during this difficult time! We have enjoyed connecting with you on Twitter and Instagram too - We are amazed by the tags, pictures, videos and messages on both platforms and I am even more amazed at what you have been doing at home- you really are a talented bunch!!! Thank you all for connecting this way- it really makes us feel closer and still in touch!

It has been two weeks since we have not all been together and we felt you should know what is happening over the weeks ahead so you can prepare yourselves and engage with the activities planned for you as part of your home learning.

From today until Monday 20th April, it would have been our school Easter holiday. So we want you to have a break from your home learning sent out by your teachers. You need to all recharge and relax as much as you can! This will mean the teachers will be taking the two weeks to do the same - recover and recharge too ready for the term ahead. They will not be accessing emails or other platforms for correspondence between these dates. However, you can still email the office and I will help support you. You know we are here if you need us! After the Easter break, you can finish off any tasks your teachers have set for you.

From Monday 27th April, your teachers will have prepared another 6 weeks of learning for you to engage with. There will be new learning grids available and your online learning too. Check out your emails from Monday 27th April and they will be posted on your class pages on the website too! Your teachers will also be communicating other exciting resources and opportunities for you to connect and share work with each other - watch this space! I will be posting some extra resources for you from Classroom Secrets and other activities you may wish to look at whilst you are learning at home. These are on the website under the 'Extra links and resources' tab. Please remember to do as much or as little as you can! I want you to have a happy and busy time with your families, and not feel under pressure! Again, if you need support for your learning, please email the office. Some teachers, like myself, are working at the Hub from 8am to 5.30pm. If your teacher is at the Hub, they will answer any queries and emails the next day. Thank you for your patience and understanding. If the query is urgent, we can support you through the office. If you have any questions about the Keyworker Hub – email the office.

As you can appreciate, your home learning has been prepared for you in the event of our school being closed for a longer period. We do not know when school will reopen – I know many are counting the days, as are we. Please remember where we are - we are just an email away! When we have any further news about school, we will let you know. I will be in touch via email after Easter!

So please stay in touch, keep connecting on your various online platforms, stay positive and stay strong.

Most importantly- stay safe- we miss you all very much and we will be back together before you know it. Try and have a Happy Easter and we are here if you need us!

Mrs Williams & all of our team Westwood