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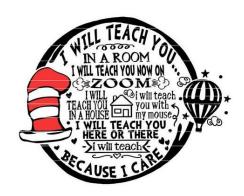
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## Families Newsletter 2

Dear Parents,

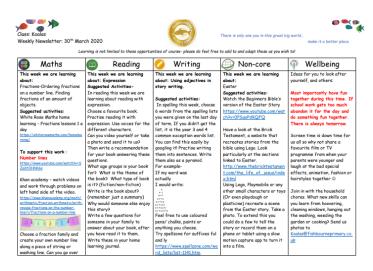
As we come to the end of this first full week of a new 'NEW' we wanted to thank you for the way in which you have adapted so quickly and effectively to supporting your children with their learning at home again! It has been amazing to see the children's learning popping up on Seesaw and the attendance at our class catch-up zoom meetings has been incredible! Your support as we responded to the rapidly evolving events of last week has meant so much to us and we are really grateful to serve such an amazing community.



This lockdown period is very different from a national and local perspective. As a school community, we have a very clear rationale for the way in which are working:

- -MINIMSING the number of children in school offering places only to children we know are vulnerable and those who have two parents who are CRITICAL key workers.
- -MAXIMISING our remote learning offer for those families who are working from home, facilitating more opportunities for independence and a much greater degree of connection.

Those children who are in school are being looked after by our amazing learning support team and accessing exactly the same remote-learning offer as our children at home. Classrooms look very different and our children at home are not missing out on anything extra happening in school. Our teaching team are focused on supporting and connecting with the vast majority of our children who are learning at home and in school!



Our Weekly Learning Letters will be put onto the school website and class Seesaw page in time for a Monday morning. This letter gives you an overview of what to expect during the week ahead - giving you a sense of where the learning is going. Paper copies of these will be available to pick up from the school office from 9am on a Monday morning - you do need to let the office know if you need one!

Our teaching team will then add additional resources to Seesaw, including pre-recorded inputs where appropriate, to support the children to access this learning. These are pre-recorded

to enable you to organise your day in the best possible way for your own unique family circumstances rather













than adding in the additional stresses of trying to attend live sessions! Resources are added daily to prevent the Seesaw platform becoming too tricky to navigate and to give the staff team the opportunity to adapt and refine the learning based on the feedback they are giving on the children's learning that is posted as they would in their classrooms!

Remember, we do have a teacher available each school day between 10.00 and 11.00am to answer any questions you may have. Don't hesitate to give us a call.

It's really important to us that you and your family continue to feel connected with school and so there are a number of additional features of home learning this time round which we very much hope will support this:

As you will know, we are now meeting with each class once a week in their weekly Zoom Classroom Catch Up sessions – this will take place at the same time each week to support families in organising their week and access to technology! Do try to access these sessions if you can – they will be informal, fun and designed as a way for the children to connect together during these unusual times.

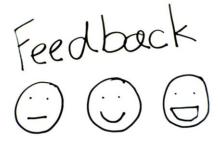
In addition, we will have two whole school assemblies each week and these will go onto our school YouTube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCvQhrZ4DwfJ\_K-V57ZOKw7q
Our Monday assembly will be a Golden Learner assembly, celebrating
the children's efforts at home and in school. Our Thursday assembly
will continue to explore our school vision 'there is only one you in this

great big world... make it a better place.'

The first of these assemblies for TODAY is up and ready for you to enjoy (it may be the perfect opportunity for you to grab a very well earned cuppa!).





Finally, we do warmly welcome your feedback on your experiences of school during this time - both positive and developmental. We know, as with homework, we can't ever get a fit that works brilliantly for everyone but we will certainly reflect on your feedback as a team and use it to refine what we are able to do! If you have feedback you would like to share, please pop it in an email: <a href="head@fishbourneprimary.co.uk">head@fishbourneprimary.co.uk</a> or give us a call. By receiving this feedback centrally we will get an overview of the experiences of our whole learning community.

Our staff team are working incredibly hard and each of our team is, like you, adapting to working differently! Your encouragement really makes a difference!

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. We send our love and best wishes.

Naomi Day