

All Saints Primary School Weekly Parent Email

W/E 01st May 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you are all keeping well and getting some positives out of these trying times.

Unfortunately, I am not able to update you on what is planned as far as schools reopening is concerned as I have been told no more than what is in the press; I am looking forward to the PM's statement next week when he will elaborate on the government's plans. Until told otherwise, we will be carrying on as we are. I understand that this is unsettling for parents, staff and more importantly our children, however, being safe and healthy is our biggest priority.

If your child is not accessing the work set for them, or if they are not producing work of the standard expected of them, you will (at some stage) receive a call or email from their class teacher informing you of this. This is not a criticism or a moan it is to keep you informed – just as we would at school. Our staff are all fully aware of the strains families are under, how these strains affect different people in different ways and how difficult it is for many children to complete work at home. As I said last week, whilst continued learning is important, it should never become a source of anxiety, stress or friction. How much work your child does at home is completely up to you, we will just continue to provide the focus for the learning which is happening at home.

We managed to hold a virtual governors meeting yesterday afternoon. The governors have been amazed at how adaptable and upbeat our children and families have been throughout these recent weeks and wish to pass on their best wishes to everyone. The values (such as perseverance, love, thankfulness, respect, forgiveness...) which have been demonstrated by the whole school community over the 'lockdown period' will help the Christian Ethos Group of the governing body when they look at reducing our current 14 school values down to 6 (to make it easier for the children to remember and understand them). If anyone would like to become a parent governor, please give Lou in the office a call or email expressing your interest.

Finally, please remember we are here for you and because of you. If we can help you, please give us a call. We are determined to support our families, our children and our community in as many ways as we can.

Stay safe and say hello to the children, we are really missing them all!

Nigel Roberts Headteacher