



The Merton Primary School
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Hello Everyone,

We have now completed two weeks of our strange new world and our school community has been pulling together brilliantly to meet the challenge. Please read the following carefully.

Easter Home Learning

We have all had to adapt to this emergency very quickly but we know from our response from parents that you are doing an amazing job of helping your children. The teachers and I have really enjoyed hearing about what the children have been doing – and seeing the pieces of work you are able to send in.

We have decided to set work over Easter – please do not let that be a stress. If you would like to take the two week break off, then please do. We just felt for many families it would help to continue to support the routine of the day. Do none, some, or all of it , we don't mind – this was supposed to be their Easter holiday!

Free School Meals

You may have found that your circumstances recently have changed with work. You may now be entitled to Free School Meals for your child, you can check by calling 0116 3055000.

The usual criteria will apply: in receipt of benefits or work less than 16 hours for a single parent or less than 24 hours per week for a couple. Attached to this e mail is the application form which will list the full criteria to claim this benefit.

They will advise you over the phone if you are entitled. Once you are confirmed please ring the school office and we will arrange meal vouchers.

Website

I hope you are all managing to access the school website – on this you will find any new information we have received about COVID 19 and home learning packs for the year groups. Also visit the Family Well-being section for additional activities. The website also has emergency numbers for both myself and my deputy.

Health/Well being

Due to the Coronavirus outbreak you may not be able to see your Public Health (School Nurse) face to face for advice about your child. Please see attached notice which gives further information about how you can get help.

Attached to this e mail is a Guide for Parents and Carers Well-being from The British Psychological society.

Welfare Checks

Thank you to all parents who have 'put up with us' e-mailing and ringing. These are part of our welfare procedures and are important as we try to keep our school community safe and connected. We have had some lovely chats and e mails.

The welfare check will be made on a fortnightly basis. We have split the school in half to make it manageable. Yrs R,1,2 and 3 received their check this week and next week it will be Yrs 4,5 and 6.

On Monday mornings the parents of the relevant week will get an e mail from us asking them to e-mail us back to confirm their child is ok. You do not reply to the email that it was sent from but to the one indicated in the instructions – a different e mail address for each year. If we don't hear from you we will follow it up on the following Wednesday with a phone call. Thankyou very much for your co-operation in this – and we look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you for your continued support - please feel free to get in contact if you have any concerns.

Take care

Shelagh Thomson

Teacher Contact

Just a reminder that your child's teacher can be contacted via the e-mail addresses shown below.

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