Dear P6/7 Parents/Guardians,

We wanted to get in touch with parents to make sure that you were aware of steps put in place to support your child/ren at home during this period of home learning.

Firstly, the most important thing is the health and well-being of the children and parents. Ensure that the children have plenty of breaks for snacks, exercise, play, rest and fresh air. We are aware that many of you will be managing your own work and other commitments, along with home learning with one or more children and all the other stresses and uncertainties that come along with what is currently happening. We don't want children or parents to be stressed and if you or your child/ren need a morning, afternoon or day off to de-stress please take it when you need it.

Work Packs

Some children opted to have home packs with enough work for a few weeks. Please make sure that the children are limited to an hour of learning in the morning and afternoon at most and the rest of the day for art + crafts, exercise, baking, helping with chores, projects they are interested in as well as plenty of play breaks.

Online Learning

For those completing online learning Mrs Bryce and myself will provide a weekly timetable for the children with activities which they are familiar with e.g. mental maths, maths, spelling, writing and reading activities. We will provide some topic work and links for art, physical exercise etc. At the moment we have been using Teams to upload files with the daily work, however, the system seems to be rather busy with most schools and staff in the country using it. Most of the children have had difficulty accessing these. We have put up links and tried copying activities into the conversations in Teams but this is not easy to navigate through. From Friday 27th March we will upload timetable and worksheets onto the school website every Friday by 1pm for the next week. This way work can be downloaded for children to get access to. We will also put some links for online activities for all children to do over this period, such as the Joe Wicks daily workout on the weekly timetable.

I hope that you are all well and Mrs Bryce or I will try to make contact with you all next week to speak to parents and the P6/7 children to see how everyone is doing.

Stay safe.

Best wishes,

Mrs Bryce + Mrs Barron