

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that the children have enjoyed the half term break. I know that for many parents a lockdown half term will have presented further challenges so let's hope that the announcement tomorrow brings some respite. Schools are not told the plans in advance so we wait patiently, knowing that we will somehow find a way, whatever challenges lie ahead.

Tomorrow morning, school reopens for Key Worker pupils and remote learning starts again for all the other children. It is time to take a deep breath and open up the Seesaw platform once again! The support you have given your children so far has been nothing short of incredible so I am confident that we can continue to work together to protect the priceless gift of education. It definitely isn't easy but in the years ahead you will be able to look back with pride on what you managed to do, in very difficult circumstances. We need every child to be working hard, either at home or in school so that no-one misses out. If you need help, just make contact and we will spring into action.

The teachers are ready for the Monday Zooms so please make sure that your child joins in. Even the youngest children have become adept at using technology to assist their learning so let's look at this as one of the positive things to come out of the current situation. Please gently remind your child about Zoom etiquette: no pyjamas please and definitely no silly behaviour on screen!

Please make sure that you have booked a SchoolCloud appointment with your child's teacher. We know that you are very busy and we will be trying to give you clear information about next steps for your child. If you are having any problems with booking, please alert the office so that we can help. Your input is pivotal in ensuring that we meet the needs of your child.

Thank you once again for helping us to teach the children effectively.

Mrs Galloway