

# FARTHINGHOE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER 27th April 2020



Dear Families,

The new school term has begun although it certainly does not feel the same. At this point in the year we are usually speeding towards SATs and phonics tests, the umbrellas and picnic tables appear for eating outside and we can play in the garden at lunchtime. This year is certainly different for all of us and for some it is getting more difficult. We encourage you to find new routines or re-establish ones to incorporate some home learning through the day. We completely appreciate this will look different for everyone depending on own commitments, number of children, ages, needs, interests, technology available etc, so it is a matter of creating the day that works for you.

We have all been really pleased by the amount and the quality of learning that is taking place with your families. Your photos, video clips and messages to the teachers via email always puts a smile on our faces. We really love seeing what you have been doing.

Our school community is so strong and I would like to say a really big thank you to **Mr Darell King** who decided to help the school by mowing the school playing field. He did this without being asked and we are so grateful. We will now be able to use it for the children who are attending school at the moment.



**Mr Elson's PE challenge** - So many children have taken up Mr Elson's challenge. These pictures are on the school website and they illustrate just how we are keeping fit and healthy. There are also videos on the schools Google Educate page. Tommy is also going to write a guide to cycling around Brackley. When he is finished we will be able to share it with you.

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**The challenge for next week** - Mrs Farrell has used her interest in gardening to set a Science challenge for this week (her garden is absolutely stunning). It is based around spending time in the garden and the family activities include enough tasks for two weeks. Once again please do send lots of photos and we will share these with the school community. The activities are attached to this email.

**Keeping in Touch** - I have uploaded an assembly last week and Mrs Thompson has put this on the website. The children in year 5 and 6 are going to help me produce one for this week. It will include the poems they have been writing during the past month. We also want to try and hold 'live' class assemblies where the children can talk to their friends using 'Google Educate'.

- Ms Turner and Mrs Whitehouse, with year 1 and 2, will take place on Tuesday afternoon at 1.30pm. This may be a little complicated for younger children. Mr Elson will be sending instructions, however if people are not able to join the call Ms Turner will phone the children individually.
- Mrs Farrell will link up with year 3 and 4 on Wednesday morning at 10.00am
- Mr Elson will link up with year 5 and 6 on Wednesday afternoon at 2.00pm

Mr Elson will email details of how to access these assemblies on Monday.

We will also be phoning each family over the next two weeks to find out if you need any help and talk you through any difficulties or successes with the work packs.

Take care and stay safe.



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