

WESTBURY-ON-SEVERN C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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**Westbury-on-Severn
CE Primary School**

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Dear Parents,

I trust this letter finds you all fit, well and safe. Everyone at school seems to be healthy, which is a very positive thing.

I would like to say how very grateful I am, for all the amazing work that you are doing with your children. It has been 6 weeks now since we were last physically together at school and I'm sure the children are missing the contact with each other. I want you to know however, that we are still available if you need to chat anything through or if you have any concerns or anxieties. Mrs Noad has been putting a lot of information on the school website under Coronavirus and Elsa, for you to access if it helps.

It has been wonderful to talk to you over the phone, so thank you for allowing me to do that. We really do miss you all, but the important thing is that you are safe and healthy. There has been much speculation of late, regarding the reopening of schools; however we will be guided by the Department for Education as it is not our decision. I am aware that plans are being drawn up for how reopening will take place, but they are plans that will be implemented at the right time; whenever that may be!

I hope that you are finding the learning activities useful. Teachers have been delighted by the response right across the school to the challenges and projects. It has been wonderful to keep up-to-date with it via Instagram. Please keep sending learning in to the class Instagram or via email.

Mrs Sim and Miss Wills have successfully trialled some 'Zoom' chats, with groups of children in Class 2. It has been wonderful to connect some of the children together via this technology and to talk to them about their learning and how they are coping at home. I know that Mrs Sim and Miss Wills have scheduled some more meetings for the future, which I'm sure will be equally successful. Mrs Hansen and Mrs Roseblade-Bargh may also conduct some zoom meetings in the future, but feedback suggests that alternative technologies seem to be working better in these classes and children/parents are initiating their own meetings. Do get in touch though if that is not the case and we will do what we can.

iSingPOP have produced some online shows, which are full of energy, laughter and dancing, story-telling and more! These might be inspiring for the children as we use them a lot during worship in school. I have included the link here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=clbDkcl6UWo> The shows are going out at 11.30am each Friday on Youtube. You may be able to access them after this time. I hope you enjoy them.

I hope you all have a good weekend and I look forward to catching up with you again over the phone in the near future. Every good wish to you all,

David Crunkhurn
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