



Dear Parents,

I hope that you all enjoyed the sun this weekend. It is so difficult to remain at home when the weather is so lovely, but we all know how important it is during this lockdown to maintain and keep to the rules the government has set. We have so enjoyed the work being sent into the emails. Well done parents, you are doing a grand job! Please remember if you have any problems with any of the learning to contact a member of staff. This week, besides from my day job, I have helped my nieces and nephew with their White Rose fractions. Crikey the pressure of Year 6 maths! Luckily I didn't have to ask Mrs Webber but I know she would have helped if I had! I hope that you all received the letter regarding Specsavers 'Virtual' Sussex School Games'. If not we have attached it to this newsletter. I shall follow closely with great interest.



Well-being

Please find attached some information from Ms Palmer. Whilst school has been closed she has been keeping a close eye on our well-being and ways in which she can support parents and pupils during this time. Her Happy Hearts document is full of useful tips.

Home Learning - Spelling

The school have subscribed to a website called Spelling Frame.co.uk for all KS2 children. This is an excellent way to practise spellings with lots of games to play specifically targeting your child's spelling list. If you haven't already requested your login details please do so as soon as possible via the class email addresses. KS1 children can access free resources for their spelling practice.

Home Learning - check the Website

Please check the school website regularly. We are putting everything on the class pages that you will need. You will receive the next week's Home-Learning on a Thursday to give you time to digest it. Teachers are continuously researching resources to find things that suit your children. This week we are going to be having a very close look at the BBC Bitesize resources that have been launched.



Do you know when schools will reopen?

Unfortunately we don't get any information in advance, and often, quite frustratingly, we hear on the daily briefings at the same time as you. Having said that we are of course in discussions internally with governors and staff as to what/how/when. We do know that there has to be very careful consideration as how to keep children and staff safe in any kind of reopening. To manage expectations it is important to note that schools will not open back to normal like 'the flick of a switch'. As I am sure you appreciate there are so many variables to consider; is the country still in some kind of lockdown; how many staff are available; how many children; which children; how do you implement social distancing with young children....and the list goes on.

Are you eligible for Free School Meals?

Many of us are finding that our financial situation has changed during this time. You may be eligible for FSM. During this period, this means providing food for your child for lunch as if they were in school.

Check your eligibility

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/free-school-meals/free-school-meals-online-application-form/>

Do you need short term help or support with food or finances?

We may be able to help or point you in the direction of some help.

Please contact us if you are in need. This would be strictly confidential.

How do I contact the teachers and the school?

By telephone—01403 752207 the answering machine is checked every day.

By email—for the office messages@loxwoodschool.com this is checked throughout the day

For teachers

Email your teacher or teaching assistant using the class emails
youngexplorers@loxwoodschool.com

For all other year groups year1@loxwoodschool.com (or year2, year3 etc.)

The school is open for children of key workers. Please contact messages@loxwoodschool.com if you need to

Year 1

Check out some of the Home Learning—this can also be found on the Class Pages on our website



Callie planting seeds

Elliot with big brother Dylan to help



Flynn in the garden with some art work

Max doing some impressive labelling



Maisie has taken over the house with her constructions

What are the staff up to?

Mrs Webber



It already seems too long since we were together and I am missing you all, and especially my class, very much.

I am enjoying the calls to my Year 6 though and love it when they send me pictures of what they have been up to. Keep them coming!

Contrary to what you are experiencing I expect, my house is VERY quiet! We are all home-working so it is a very studious atmosphere! I have taken the opportunity to do some online teacher training, alongside my home learning commitments, which has been inspiring.

I am lucky to live on the edge of the woods, full of blue-bells, so my walks are beautiful at this time of the year. I miss the staffroom book box, so decided to set up a book borrowing box outside my house; it is going really well. I hope you are all enjoying some good books too. I have

also had a killer jigsaw on the go – it was a relief when we got it finished! I have now donated that to Ms Kitson to try her hand at (she may not thank me!)



Stanley's blog

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Hello, it was my birthday last Friday! I am one. That seems like a very small number considering how old I am, plus if you look at the picture you can see how much I have grown. I got a squishy toy with a squeak in it and a really long walk. Best day ever.

P.S School is still too quiet. I've checked out the whole field and playground and there are definitely not enough children around. Hope they come back soon.

