



30th March 2020

Dear Parents,

I hope that you are all keeping safe. I know that many of you are juggling family life, your own work and Home Learning. This is a lot.

Teachers spend their whole careers learning and training to have a better understanding of how children learn and how to deliver lessons for all pupils. You were given 48 hours notice - so however much or however little you have managed, WELL DONE.

We will not be providing Home Learning during the Easter Holidays. To ease the pressure on families why not consider a flexible holiday, two days Home Learning, two days off. Maybe this coming week off, then the following week back to Home Learning. Whatever works best for your family.

## **Home Learning Update**

We have been very busy behind the scenes preparing additional Home Learning for the weeks after the Easter Holidays. This Home Learning will be more detailed, more specific to your child's age and will cover more of the curriculum.

## The Website is where all information can be found

We are updating the website all the time. This is where you will find the class pages with the Home Learning, links to other learning and letters.

## Communication

By Email: messages@loxwoodschool.com is checked throughout the day

By telephone: 01403 752207 we still pick up answering machine messages

<u>Personal phone calls</u>: we hope to continue to call each and every child every week or so. Just to touch base and say hi. We hope these phone calls are helpful (and enjoyable for your child) however, if you don't wish to receive them just let us know

Coming soon:

<u>Class email addresses</u>—in the next few days you will be given an email address that you can use to contact a member of staff in your child's class. Please use this email address if you have queries about the Home Learning or if you have a quick question. Replies may take a couple of days but everyone will get a reply. You won't be able to get work marked and it won't be for emergencies but our hope is that it gives you a further link to your child's teacher or teaching assistant.

In the future

<u>Face to face contact with staff</u>—if this lock down continues we hope to be able to provide some sort of face to face interaction between staff and children. Please bear with us, we are investigating various options, however, as always nothing is a simple as it sounds.

## **Key Workers**

To continue our support of Key Workers we will be open over the Easter Holidays to provide childcare for those that qualify (except for Good Friday and Easter Monday).

Please ensure that this is your **only option**. We all know it is safer for families, children and staff if we interact as little as possible.

If you do need our support you must let us know the days that you require the childcare in advance so that appropriate staffing can be organised.