HOLLY LODGE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

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TOGETHER WE CAN ACHIEVE MORE

Respect Effort Achieve Care Honesty

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you for all your support this week. Holly Lodge is always such a happy and positive place. I am proud to be head of such a wonderful community of children, parents and staff. We have really appreciated all your messages of support.

I know that many of you are facing tricky times with uncertainty around jobs, juggling working from home or are a key worker, working tirelessly to keep the country going. Our thoughts are with you and our thanks go to you.

Let us look for all the positives that these unprecedented circumstances bring us. These are times that will go down in history: let's make some wonderful memories that our children will look back on with fondness. Make the most of the extra family times you are able to share together: times to share experiences, to enjoy books. Let your children teach you how to play their favourite Xbox games; go for walks together in spaces that are still open and be mindful of all the blessings we have in this life. Take time where you canto sing and dance together and be active.

We recommend that you do try to keep some kind of routine going for your children – especially as many of you will be working from home. This will help keep a calm household. The home-learning resources are now on the website.

Please do make sure you are checking emails, the website and Marvellous Me for updates. Perhaps you could make your own star charts from home to celebrate. If your child earns 100 stars, email the office at office@hollylodge.kite.academy with your child's name and class. The good news will be passed onto your child's teacher who may even send out a congratulatory Marvellous Me.

For parents of children in Reception, please do log-in regularly to Tapestry for updates.

At the moment, it is unclear how long schools will be closing. We will be updating you with further home-learning resources in coming weeks as appropriate for KS1 and KS2 children. Please remember the importance of online safety: children should be supervised when using the internet.

Please keep well and stay safe. Protect those around you; the elderly, the vulnerable and yourselves. These are testing times, but give your child that extra hug at the end of the night and assure them we will all be fine.

Kind regards

Mrs Cheryl Dancer
Academy Head

Attendance

In the current climate, we do not feel it appropriate to track our attendance. This is an unprecedented situation which is constantly changing and the priority is for all of our Holly Lodge families to keep safe and well!

Home Learning

Please head to the following link where home learning has been uploaded for pupils to access during the closure:

https://www.hollylodgeprimary.co.uk/children/home-learning/

Skipping Workshop

The whole school enjoyed a skipping workshop on Monday and Tuesday. They learned the benefits of exercise as well as enjoying traditional playground games with ropes.

Scholastic

Thank you to all who attended the book fair – we have raised well over £200 which we can use towards new books for the library and classrooms.

Silver Award Emily Thompson, Taylor Hanning, Ellie Smith, Edward Scott-Fernandez, Henry Roberts, Fahmida Begum, Chloe Bowen, Henry Daborn, Popy Gibson, Isaac Handem, Selorm Jiagge, Olivia Thornhill, Elizabeth Mann, Isabella Bradley