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'Learning is Fun... Together as One'

Dear Parents,

It's hard to believe it has now been over six weeks since our children were at school. Well done for getting through it so far. Parents have been thrown into a whole new set of circumstances. Speaking from my own experience at home, it is not easy. I just want to take time to assure each of you, your child is not behind, there are not other children 'ahead' of yours; each child is exactly where they need to be at this most unusual time in the world.

This situation is far from ideal but I think it's important to look for some positives. We now have the unique opportunity of having one to one time with our children which enriches their learning experience. At home you may discover your child takes an interest in a particular topic or area, go with it! It might be looking for bugs outside, researching all about the Egyptians, or making a poster about every goal Salah has ever scored. What sparks their interest or imagination is what is going to keep the brain active and learning fun.

The learning packs for each year group were carefully compiled by teachers to give consolidation work to cover most of the school year. Use as these as best you can. The home learning tab on the school website offers additional materials to supplement the learning packs. We have also put up links to numerous websites which cover a wide range of topics. The teachers are working hard to put together worthwhile material to support you in home learning. I would like to take this opportunity to commend my staff on their continued dedication.

We the staff have taken great comfort from the images you have sent in from home. The website and facebook page give us a platform to celebrate all that you are doing.

There has been speculation in the media concerning the reopening of schools. I have not heard of any change to the situation from the Education Minister. I will communicate any information as I receive it via the website, text service or facebook.

Take care and God bless.

Jim McAlinden

Principal
