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Dear Parents/Carers,

We find ourselves in extraordinary times and I wanted to write to give you a little update from the school.

Firstly, I would like to express my deep thanks to all of you for the ways in which you have all responded to this crisis and the way in which we have come together as a community. I would also like to express my heartfelt appreciation to our critical workers for your role in the fight against this virus. As a school we are committed to helping you in whatever practical way we are able to do.

Clearly the single most helpful thing we can do is to provide care for your children whilst you are at work. We will remain open over the Easter holiday, including Bank Holidays if needed, for critical worker families and our vulnerable children in order to support where we can.

Staff have been planning interesting activities and also ensuring lots of activities and resources are on the school website. We have tried our best to ensure many of these are non- printable. We would also encourage everyone to join in the keep fit activities each day too. Thank you to all the staff for their tremendous dedication and commitment which was also noted in the letter schools received this week from the Secretary of State for Education. Home learning does not need to continue over the two week Easter break but spellings etc will start again week commencing Monday 20th April.

You may have spotted our beautiful, colourful rainbows in the hall windows - we do appreciate the lovely feedback we have received about these. The pupils attending school have been absolutely amazing and have brought rays of sunshine with them into school too.

Office staff continue to be available to answer important phone calls and emails but please be aware that we are now operating on a skeleton staff, so please do only contact the school if necessary. Miss King has worked very hard to organise the FSM vouchers (for non-universal FSM pupils). The vouchers are now in place and we have received positive feedback about these too.

Some key phone numbers are also available on our school web site such as Childline (08001111) and various safer internet information which is worth a look to help support safer internet use at home.

Finally, may I take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy Easter and once again thank you for your continued support.

Kindest regards,



LJ Hackfath

