



DODFORD FIRST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Every Day, a Learning Journey

Message from Mrs Parkes

I hope you have had a good week and that you are all keeping well, both physically and mentally. The weather has been kind to us this week and hopefully you have been able to get outside in your gardens or go for a walk, run or bike ride as your daily exercise. We do not know how long the National School Closure will continue for, but what we do know is that we are preparing lots of learning ready for when we do open again, to accelerate the children's learning so that they are not too far away from where they would have been once some form of 'normality' returns. I know that lots of you have been engaging in a variety of activities with your children, keeping their brains active through school work, arts and craft and the learning of new skills. Don't worry about how much you are doing with your children, please just do what you can as it is important that the children are kept active both physically and mentally during these trying times. Remember this is a great opportunity to engage in whole family activities and being together as a family, spending quality time together will help everyone's well-being.

Easter Board Game Designs

Don't forget that your child's Home Learning challenge for the Easter break is to create a board game around the theme of Easter or Spring. We have already had some great designs sent in and we are looking to see many more over the next week. These can be sent in via the school email address or post them on twitter page.

Looking after our families

Please take a look at the two attachments with this week's newsletter. They contain useful information about looking after our mental health and well-being. Some of the materials can be shared with your children and there are also signposts to organisations if you are worried or struggling during these uncertain times.

Critical workers

Please don't forget to respond to the email sent about child care requests for after the Easter break if you have not done so already. Offers of places will be given out early next week.

Free School Meals

We know that things are changing continually for our families. Please follow this link if you feel your current situation may make you eligible for free school meals vouchers.

Applications can be made online - https://capublic.worcestershire.gov.uk/WCCPublicForms/Form-FreeSchoolMeals.aspx?_ga=2.128628556.1977094515.1586330171-258742743.1509438236

Happy Easter!

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Upcoming dates for your diary

03/04/20—Break up for Easter Holiday

20/04/20—School reopens for critical worker children only

CLUBS THIS HALF TERM

Monday—

Tuesday—

Wednesday—

Wednesday—

Friday—

ATTENDANCE

Wrens %

Robins (1) %

Robins (2) %

Owls (3) %

Owls (4) %