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**Newsletter 26 Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

Dear Parents,

The Prime Minister and Education Secretary announced on Wednesday that all schools will close from this afternoon until further notice for the vast majority of the children in a bid to help prevent further spread of the coronavirus. This is unprecedented and I do hope that the school closure is not for long.

Schools have been asked to remain open for a very small amount of children who meet the criteria that has been set out by the government. For those families there is a separate letter going out today which details the arrangements from Monday.

**We are expecting the vast majority of children to stay at home until further notice – unless we have spoken directly to you and confirmed in writing that your child has a place in school on Monday you should not bring your child/ren to school.**

### **Coronavirus update for children working from home**

As outlined in the letter I sent home last week, please ensure you are signed up to the school Facebook page. **All updates will be through Facebook.**

Each school day there will be a post on Facebook for each of the classes outlining which work the children need to do out of their work packs. I have reassured the children that they won't receive work on a Saturday or Sunday or in the Easter holidays. **Keep all completed work in the pack for returning to school to be marked.**

If the closure continues after Easter, we will make further packs of work and we will deliver them to each house for every child.

### **Class News**

**FS1/FS2** – This week we have been learning about signs of Spring with our Spring walk around the school, learning about patterns and symmetry.

**Y1** – This week we have been learning about measurement. Measuring in cubes, hands and centimetres.

**Y2** – This week we have been learning about circuits. We have made different circuits using a number of bulbs and batteries.

**Y3/4** – This week we have used Digimap for digital mapping in Geography.

**Y5/6** – This week we have been creating the 7 wonders of the world on a 3D printing programme. We have all learnt new skills!

## AWARDS

### Celebration Assembly

On Friday afternoon, we have our Celebration Assembly. This week the following children were given our weekly awards;



### Ribbons

**FS1** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has worked hard at repeat patterns and symmetry. Well done, Penny!

**FS2** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has worked hard at symmetry and poetry and has also been a kind and friendly team member towards our new starters. Well done, Jayson!

**Year 1** – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has a fantastic attitude to learning and always has a smile on her face. Well done, Eliza!

**Year 2** – This week the ribbon goes to someone who works hard in all areas of the curriculum showing resilience and determination in all they do. Well done, Maddy!

**Year 3** – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has really impressed us with their effort in spellings. Well done, Lexi!

**Year 4** – This week the ribbon goes to someone who is always impressing me with their resilience and determination in everything! Well done, Nicole!

**Year 5** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who is always so polite, kind and caring. She works hard and tries her best. We have seen her confidence grow! Well done, Drishya!

**Year 6** – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has been trying hard to read more at home. We have noticed a great improvement in her speech and expression! Well done, Ellie!

On behalf of the staff and governors, we would like to thank you all for your patience and understanding in what has been, and continues to be a very difficult time.

I'd like to thank very much 6RRLC for their support and understanding in enabling children to be looked after at home in a bid to prevent further spread of the virus.

We all hope that school can re-open in the not too distance future and our school family can be back together again.

Kind regards,

Julie Lyon

Head Teacher