



LANCHESTER E.P. (Cont.) PRIMARY SCHOOL

Thursday 7th May 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am not sure whether it is just me, but this week certainly seems to have flown even though it has just been a 4-day working week!

It is hard to believe that the school has now been closed for 7 whole weeks – it seems like a lifetime since we were all standing on that school yard!

I have to say that the children have continued to impress us with their perseverance and dedication to their work. But I will stress again – if your child does not get through everything that is set for them – do not worry. There is no expectation at all that every single piece of work will be completed. Many of you are struggling both with your children and also trying to juggle home-schooling combined with working from home. Basically, you just need to get through each week the best you can and we will totally support you with whatever that is!

Year 6 Statutory Tests

Next week should have been the Statutory Tests for our Year 6 pupils. Whilst I am sure many children from Year 6 will be quite happy to be missing them, equally, I know that we have lots of disappointed children who wanted to prove how much progress they have made and they take such a pride in that. We will be thinking of all our oldest children next week in what will be a very strange week for them all at home.

Evidence Me and eSchools

Meanwhile, our youngest children continue to post a multitude of posts on Evidence Me – thank you all so much for this. I love looking through them all! I had no idea we had such a talented staff either!

Don't forget – if you have any issues at all with either that or eSchools, please just get in touch and we shall do our best to support you.

Government Announcement

Obviously we will all be listening on Sunday to see what is announced about schools and the government's aim to get children back in school at some point in the future. We have no idea at all what will be said – your guess is as good as ours! I am sure however, that there may well be more questions than answers after Sunday's announcement. I would just like to reassure you though, that we will continue to communicate openly and thoroughly with you at every stage and in a timely manner.

As usual, if there is anything at all you would like to get in touch about, please feel free to email me: <u>j.davis@lanchesterep.net</u> Forgive me if I do not reply immediately and feel free to give me a gentle nudge if I don't reply within 24-48 hours – this will simply be due to the volume of emails received.

Meanwhile, I will leave you with a few thoughts about Keeping Going...

<u>Keep going</u>

No matter how bad things are right now. No matter how stuck you feel. No matter how many days you have spent crying. No matter how many days you have spent wishing things were different. No matter how hopeless and depressed you feel. I promise you won't feel this way forever. Keep going.

Yours sincerely,

Jane Davís

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