



"A small school, with big ambitions!"

Newsletter – 1st May 2020

As ever in these unusual times, we very much hope this communication finds you safe, well and healthy. As we work through week 6 we are aware there has been a lot of speculation in the news about when schools will begin to open to pupils and how this will happen. At the moment we have no additional information on when school will re-open and therefore our focus is on continuing to provide work and support for our families.

If you are aware of anybody, not just in the school community but within the local community, who might need support with shopping, medication etc, please let us know as we have contact with different groups who might be able to offer support. In addition, if you are aware of any vulnerable families who might benefit from additional support, please do get in touch.

VE Day

The 8th May is a bank holiday to mark the 75th anniversary of VE Day. Why don't you plan your own party at home using the following ideas:

- Dress up in red, white or blue
- Dress a window with bunting or decorations (I have added a template under keeping busy activities)
- Have a tea party

We are also encouraging all those taking part to undertake the 'Nation's Toast to the Heroes of WW2' at 3pm on the 8th May, from the safety of your own home, stand up and raise a glass of refreshment of your choice and share the following 'Toast' - "To those who gave so much, we thank you," This is a unique opportunity to pay tribute to the many millions at home and abroad that gave so much to ensure we all enjoy and share the freedom we have today.

Website

We hope you are finding everything you need on our school website. New learning will be uploaded for the start of each week and content will be removed after 2 weeks to make it easier to find what you need.

Please be reassured that there is no expectation to get through everything, we appreciate any support at all! We have tried to make some of our activities more practical (planting seeds, making maps, sorting animals) and the feedback has been incredibly positive. These things are just as important and help the children develop some very important life skills as well as providing them with knowledge of the world around them. This week, our website gallery has been updated to include a lovely video of the children in Cherryburn class.

Wellbeing

This week, the focus is around 'keeping our brains busy'

This is the perfect time to try a new hobby and there are some great ideas on the website of new hobbies to try, some with helpful links. These include learning Makaton, gardening, sketching, dancing or creating your own puppet show.

Rose Tree Care Home

We are keen to maintain our link with Rose Tree during the school closure. We have been in touch and they would love to receive any letters or pictures from the children. You can either send directly or pop them through the school letterbox for us to pass on.