



Ovingham CE First School

Weekly News

27th March 2020

Message from Mr Hudson

I would like to pass on my thanks for the incredible support from all our parents/carers over the last few weeks. We will continue to work hard to make sure childcare is available for all those key workers who have no alternative childcare provision. I am extremely proud of our staff team as they have worked together to ensure we provide stability and continuity for our pupils.

This is a challenging time for staff however we are trying to keep things as "normal" as possible for everyone during this period and we hope that a newsletter is a great way to keep in touch.

We are also keeping the school website updated and staff are happy to add photos from home (details below).

As always, any questions or queries please get in touch, preferably via email: admin@ovinghamfirst.northumberland.sch.uk or on 01661 832581.

Please stay safe and take care, we look forward to seeing you all back in school as soon as possible.

Kind regards,

Andy

A.P. Hudson
Exec Headteacher

Home Learning

Teachers will be uploading next week's learning activities onto the school website. This can be found under the tab 'Home Learning' and your child's year group. Please check them out.

Home Learning Gallery

Mrs Weatherspoon has created a gallery on the Home Learning section of the website and added some photographs of what the staff have been up to whilst away from school. Very industrious.

We would love to add your photographs of how you have been spending your time too. Please send any photographs to admin@ovinghamfirst.northumberland.gov.uk if you have anything you would like to be included.

Giving Blood

You can still travel to donate blood. Giving blood and platelets is essential to the NHS and vulnerable patients.

The Centres are open; some things have changed, but there will be the same warm welcome. Find out what has changed at www.blood.co.uk and follow the relevant links.

Please keep donating.

Mr Hogg

Mr Hogg is continuing to work in the school grounds (while still socially distancing) mending, building, planting etc. School should look very smart once we all return.

Food Banks

The Northumberland West foodbanks in Prudhoe and Hexham are temporarily closed for donations, however, you can still leave donations at Waitrose and Tesco in Hexham and the Co-Op in Prudhoe.

The Miners Lamp Café is no longer operating as a café, but as a holding station for their food bank. It is not open for donations, but you can contact them via their Facebook site to arrange drop offs. They have also set up a fundraising page <https://eastwoodsparkcharitycheckout.co.uk/donate> should you wish to make a financial donation.

Weather

The weather has definitely taken a turn for the better and it looks as though Spring is certainly here.

We hope you are able to take advantage of this, keeping all social distancing protocols of course!