

**Reminder:** Follow our Facebook and Twitter pages for all up to date information.

This has probably been the strangest week in my teaching career. Opening a school, when it is closed, to do our public duty and help in a national crisis has been amazing but odd. The school is so quiet and we all miss the hustle and bustle of children in classrooms and corridors.

The children who have been in school have worked hard and have been kept occupied by our fantastic teaching staff. They have done Joe Wicks workouts every day, as have many of you at home. They have also painted rainbows to show our support, made pizzas, done weaving and many more things. They have also been on eschools so don't think they have escaped.

It has been amazing seeing so many of you using the eschools platform to stay in touch. Staff are interacting with their classes and provided continuity and support.

The priority for this time is to keep practising the key skills at home. There is no new learning, just practising of age related skills. We want the children to keep things ticking along. If you are completing work in the book we sent home, that is fantastic—not everything needs to be done online.

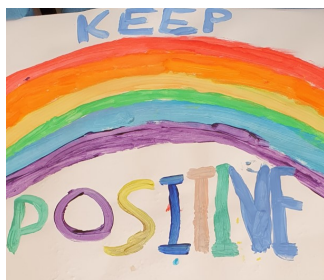
It looks like this will be for the foreseeable future so we now need to settle into the new normal. Working out what works best for us all. We are not expecting learning at home to replicate learning at school. Keep doing the essentials—reading, times tables and spelling. Then anything you can complete on eschools is an added bonus. At no point do we want learning at home to create additional pressures at an already stressful time.

As always if you have any problems, contact school and we will do our utmost to help you.

Stay safe, wash your hands and keep healthy,

M Cross

Executive Head



## Dordon in the news!

**CLAP FOR THE NHS  
TONIGHT AT 8PM  
THURSDAY 26TH MARCH**



It was fantastic to see so many of our pupils in the video from the community of Dordon. All of the staff are really proud of you and there may even have been some tears! Thank you for showing our respect for the NHS in such a brilliant way!

### Welfare Calls

Throughout the time we are closed we will be making regular phone contact with you to ensure that the children are well and to see if there is anything we can help with.

This week it has been lovely to check in with almost all of you and hear of your adventures. Your words of support are much appreciated.

Be reassured we are not checking that you have completed your work on eschools!

### EASTER

During the Easter break, there won't be daily maths and English activities set by teachers as they will be taking their holiday on the days they are not in school with key worker children.

We will endeavour to have some Easter ideas available to the children to keep them occupied during this time