



Wednesday 1st April 2020

Dear Families

We have been closed for over a week now, and what a week it has been!

I hope this email finds you and your families well, and that you have managed to adjust to a new way of life. It has certainly been a week of discovering new ways for me and my family.

We have been able to continue to offer some childcare at Grandpont to a very small number of our key worker families, and we are all very grateful to the vast majority of you who have been able to find ways to stay at home.

I am very aware of the amount of 'home learning' stuff there is being shared on all sorts of platforms at the moment. Please don't become overwhelmed by this.

Pick and choose what is sensible for you and your family. It is ok to not be spending 12 hours a day entertaining your children or trying to engage them in all sorts of activities. Please let your child's key person know if you want any advice on this.

Don't forget we do have our own 'home learning' tab on our website-

https://www.grandpontnurseryschool.co.uk/website/home_learning/457832 There should be plenty just in that space to keep you all busy for now!

Cat and I will be adding to, and amending this over the following weeks.

Maintaining a strong relationship with you all is one of our priorities. You should have all received an email from your child's Key Person last week or this week. If you have not received an email then please email the office, and we will ensure that this happens.

We have also been spending time exploring ways for the people in each Key Group to communicate with each other and share things they have been doing. We have decided to use Google Classroom for this. We use G Suite at Grandpont for all of our IT, and we can access this easily to set up a 'Group Chat' for each key group.

Over the next week you will receive an invitation to join your child's 'classroom' via your email address. Once you have joined this you will find a whatsapp/facebook type of stream that anyone in the group can paste into and add pictures, links, video clips etc into. I will send more directions before we get going on this as soon as our IT support team has got things going our end.

Until then, please take care, stay safe and stay at home- Lisa and the Grandpont Team