

St Buryan Academy Newsletter

Friday 27th March 2020



Key Dates

Start of summer term:
14th April

More dates to be added
as and when!



PROTECT THE NHS

save lives

HM Government

NHS



CATCH IT.



BIN IT.



KILL IT.

you're
BRAYER
THAN YOU BELIEVE,
STRONGER
THAN YOU SEEM,
and
smarter
THAN YOU THINK.

- A.A. Milne -

Believe, Achieve, Aspire

Buryan Bulletin

This is rather difficult newsletter to write with no children or staff in school this week!

Firstly, I just wanted to say a massive thank you and well done to all of the parents and carers, and also to the children who we have had to cope with this challenging week too – it is important for us to remember that they will not have as much understanding of this global situation as we do so we must be there for them – the longer this goes on, the less like a holiday it will appear to them.

Thank you for trying to complete any work that has been set online – but now have a break. Don't worry about school work now, make the most of these holidays. Remember that this is not home schooling! We are all purely trying to do the best in a position we've never been in!

We appreciate all of the engagement with the online learning, and those that have done any learning through different means. It all helps.

We are unsure how long this closure will be going on for, so teachers will be uploading work onto Google Classrooms for the new term towards the end of the 'holiday'.

It has been great to see you interact with our social media pages, it is a great way to share learning and for you and your children to still interact with the school and each other – it is also a great way of sharing positivity and keeping morale high during these difficult times.

As you are aware, closing the school completely was a very difficult decision to make, but one I felt ensured could keep our

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children and staff safe as much as we possibly could. We still ensure that we offered provision to our critical workers through different means. Thank you for your understanding with this.

Toward the end of the Easter holidays we will send out booking forms as we look to reopen for our critical worker families, so please keep an eye out for these.

You are also probably aware that we made the decision to cancel our residential this year. This was a really difficult one to make as they mean so much to the children, myself and the school – so should we be back this school year, then we will look to arrange some replacement.

It has been really hard being away from the village, but I have been really proud and pleased to see so many of our families and children keeping everyone smiling with their teddy bear hunts, rainbows, flags and positivity. Well done.

Lastly, I would like to take the opportunity to wish all of our families a calm, restful and healthy break. Thank you for all of your co-operation over the last couple weeks and it has been great to see our community grow even closer amidst difficult times. I would also like to thank the children for their resilience, positivity and good attitudes. Lastly, thank you to our amazing staff. I have been really proud, and feel privileged that we have them at our school.

Mr Josh McDonald

Staff emails

Staff will be available to contact over the Easter holidays for any support or advice, but please be mindful that they may not be able to replay straight away. Thank you

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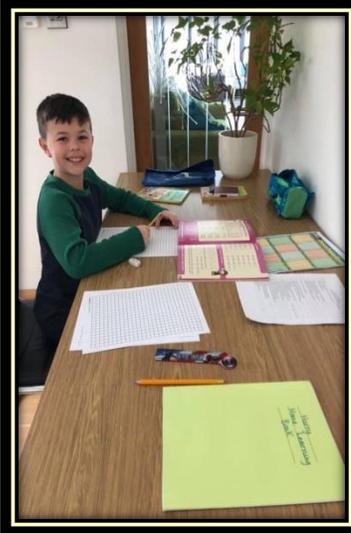
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Celebration Awards

We are sad that our celebration awards aren't taking place this week!

So, why not think of your best bits from the week and maybe think about people in your family who deserve awards and what for (I am sure they all do). We are really impressed with your resilience, positivity and great attitudes - well done!

Check out these amazing photos of some of our children during their home learning week.

Useful websites

There's loads of great resources on our Google Classrooms and there are more and more released online every day. Here are some others we can recommend:

Times Tables Rockstars – a great way of learning and reinforcing times table knowledge for years 2-6.

www.play.prodigygame.com – interactive maths games

www.whiterosemaths.com – maths challenges that tie in with our curriculum

www.phonicsplay.co.uk – word and sound games

www.teachyourmonstertoread.com – a great reading website for all

www.literacyshed.com – a great website that has lots of stimulus for creating stories

www.uk.ixl.com – lots of quizzes

www.twinkl.co.uk/offer - enter the code UKTWINKLHELPS for loads of free learning resources for every subject!

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize - the BBC Bitesize website has loads of informative games, videos and revision for all children, especially those who will be doing their Year 2 and Year 6 SATs.

www.worldofdavidwalliams.com - listen to the man himself read some of his much loved children's novels

PE with Joe - The Body Coach takes you on an active PE lesson via YouTube

Kernow Chocolate - find their Facebook page to enter their chocolate bar competition.

Cornwall FA - go to the Cornwall Football Association's website or Facebook page to design a football shirt.

Keep looking at Facebook and Twitter for more websites!

I also strongly advise that you sign up for:

<https://kids.classroomsecrets.co.uk/> This gives you and your child access to lots of free learning resources to fit their current learning and needs.

Safeguarding

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL):

Mr J McDonald

Deputy DSL and SENCO:

Mrs J Kwiatkowska

Safeguarding Governor

Mrs V Hall

Parent Liaison Officer:

Mrs Care

How are you getting on with Mr Mac's Challenge? Remember the essentials:

- 1) Read every day! 2) Write when you can (a diary would be great) 3) Practical maths!
- 4) Music - share songs and make your own! 5) Art and crafts 6) Physical activity