



Dear parents / carers: I have decided to resume the weekly Newsletter to try to restore some semblance of normality as we go in to the Summer term. No point in speculating about when schools will reopen but would like to add that young children do not do or understand social distancing with one another. Meanwhile we are open for registered children of key workers who are not working from home and also for vulnerable pupils. We have also been providing school meals for those pupils eligible and this week sent out to 47 children 2 weeks worth of Tesco vouchers. The system was log jammed initially but sterling work by office staff here has ensured everyone is now receiving vouchers with more to follow. Please be aware it is not easy for staff as they are all working on rotas and many are self isolating.

All worries and concerns are however put into sharp perspective by the news of our Chair of Governors Mr Derek Vitali who was admitted to ICU and since 8am yesterday morning has been on a ventilator. A man I have known for some 27 years. Prayers, love and thoughts to his wife and sons Gideon and Dominic at these difficult times. Prayer can work miracles

Lessons etc lessons for classes are going on our website every week and every day via Class Dojo as are links and projects under Lockdown Resources and Parents Info. 3 parents asked about Zoom lessons and there are so many myths, WhatsApp groups and rumours going around about this. So for further information:

Firstly on Safeguarding grounds we cannot use this.

Secondly it is blocked by LGFL (London Grid for Learning) the filter router network site for all schools in London again on safeguarding and security, grounds too.

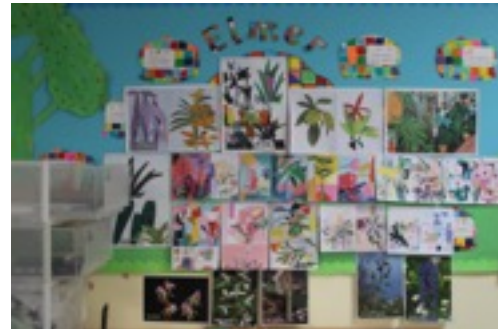
Thirdly the main teaching unions the NEU etc have told all their members it is not suitable for primary age children and for teachers not to use it.

Fourthly it is for adults to meet not children.

This week alone we added our lovely Riva Studios Art challenge - the new National Academy with loads of online lessons - new daily BBC Bitesize lessons and a daily story writing challenge + today's individual class Dojo lessons.

Teachers will be contacting children to say hello in the weeks ahead details to follow next week.

Pics of the day ... art work and lessons with Lily and Joe Wickes workouts our grounds.



and finally warmest April in 161 years I heard yesterdayso many birds nesting in our grounds this year I've been in every day so seen the changes in school and after Easter every tree was in leaf and lots of cherry blossom no sports apart from Byelorussian league ... so keep healthy and be kind to others.