

CTK WEEKLY

HEADS UPDATE

We have had so many lovely comments back from the Easter video that we did as a staff. A massive thank you to Miss Whately for coordinating and creating this video, it was her idea and she put it all together. Also, thanks to Miss Cook for sending it to Spire FM who have it on their website and gave us a mention throughout the day. It is times like this that we need to pull together and that video showed just what a great staff team we have here who support one another.

It's the end of the Easter Holidays now and on Monday we have made a few tweaks to our engagement with families and also our intentions.



Mr De Silva, in collaboration with the teachers, has created a sheet that will be posted on Tapestry and Class Dojo every Monday morning. These sheets will outline the **GOLDEN THREE** activities that are linked to Maths, Reading and Writing. All we are asking parents to do is help children to complete these three activities each day with their children. If all you did was these activities then that would be great. Those parents that want more activities will be able to access a range also included on the sheet but these are extras and not as essential.

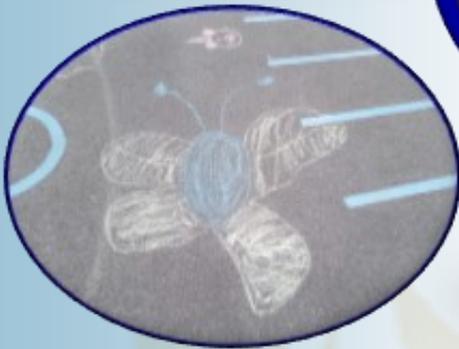
Parents are **NOT** expected to be teachers (in the main) and so we are not expecting you to do a fully structured teaching day. These three 15-20min activities should be easy to manage and do not require teacher expertise.

During the first week back, next week, our teachers will also phone every family just to touch base and see how you are doing. Please encourage your children to speak with the teacher and share experiences. *(These phone calls will appear as PRIVATE numbers).*

Can I finish by saying that we understand your situation and the frustration of having children restricted in their movements. It's really hard and this is a time that will really test all our parenting skills. However, there are people in worse situations who have lost loved ones without being able to comfort them in their final hours, or even physically console other family members. These people, that includes two members of our staff, are being as brave as they can be under these circumstances and our hearts and thoughts should go out to them. When you next clap for the NHS who lead the frontline of this battle, please say a quiet prayer for those people who are within our social and professional circles that have lost someone very dear to them.

Three more weeks of lockdown - please follow all guidance and advice from the Government and stay safe.

Chris



Can you guess what the theme was for the children that were with Mrs Clarke and Mrs Brooks, on Thursday, in school?

RIDDLE TIME

1. A word I know, six letters it contains, remove one letter and 12 remains, what is it?
2. What is full of holes but still holds water?
3. What becomes wetter the more it dries?
4. Where can you find cities, towns, shops, and streets but no people?
5. What happens once in a lifetime, twice in a moment, but never in one hundred years?

Answers will be on next weeks Newsletter.
Good luck everyone!



Prayer

PRAYER FOR COURAGE

My Lord, today I ask for courage.

There are things in my life that I face and, Lord, I need courage to face these trials in my life.

I need the kind of courage you gave Nehemiah that he was able to speak to a king and build a wall even in the face of opposition.

I pray that when opposition comes my way, you will make me brave. Put the words in my mouth to calm the storm that rises up