



CTK WEEKLY

HEADS UPDATE

The next official message from Boris Johnson will now happen on Sunday. As a school, we are hoping for some guidance and direction on the next step for your children and their reintegration back into school. I know you will all be itching to get your children back into the routine and structure of school life and our staff will be ready for them. But not until it is safe to do so.

We have had online meetings a few times in the past week as a staff and discussed in detail the challenges you must be facing and how we can make it easier for you. The teachers have talked about the struggles that some parents have working at home with multiple children in different year groups. Others have mentioned that it is difficult to motivate their children to sit down and focus on anything.

On behalf of all your children's teachers, do not to worry.

I sent a letter out a few weeks ago saying you are not expected to be teachers and so don't beat yourself up when you struggle to educate your children. I tried to teach my daughter to swim but she just kept laughing, refusing and wanting to play. As soon as I took her to an instructor she learnt immediately. Your children will catch up and rigorous support will be put in place when back at school to make sure they do.

To be clear:

The Golden 3 and Rainbow activities are there to provide structure to your day. If your child can do them each day then great. If they can only do one each day then that is fine. If they don't fit into your day at all then don't worry, IT IS OK. You are not being judged on the work your children do at home.

Play with your children, bake with them, make dens, do fitness exercises together, read funny books together, tell jokes, watch TV together, talk about films and the characters. Ask your child what new things they would like to do and then help them do it. Explore together.

I really don't mean to be patronising in any way and so please don't think I am preaching, it's just that in a newsletter I wrote over a year ago, I said that the most precious gift you can give your children is TIME. This is what you now have, so make the most of it. It won't be long before we are all running around again stressed that we can't fit everything into the day.

Keep well.

Chris

Nicky Parry has very kindly volunteered to be the organiser of a virtual "Zoom" disco, which sounds like it could be great fun! If this is something that you think your children would be interested in, please contact her on the email below and she will be in touch regarding details, cost etc.

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Our Teachers say:

“Hello”

Just so the children don't forget our great team of teachers at CTK, here is a little reminder for them. They are at home a lot too, but trying to keep in touch regularly.

