

Thursday 9th April 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Coronavirus Update – 9th April 2020

As we come to the end of the week 3 it feels families are really getting used to the fact that this is how life will be for the time being. The good news is that this isn't forever.

Our welfare calls have continued this week. Staff are really thankful that they are able to make those quick calls to you and are more than happy to chat to your children too. The feedback we have from parents continues to be overwhelmingly positive. We have had lots of messages from children who tell us they miss school and their teachers and I can say with confidence that we are missing you all as well.

There are so many positive stories coming out of our community. Hanson Academy were in the Telegraph and Argus today as they have made hundreds of visors and 50 dust bags to support NHS staff in Bradford. This is a fantastic effort and great to know our neighbours are able to support in this way. Being kind in these difficult times will keep us all going.


Facebook has been full of activity this week. The Grove House Bake Off has been fabulous and we are so impressed by everyone's efforts – I am particularly looking forward to seeing the cakes tomorrow. Please don't feel that you have to join in with everything we post on Facebook. These activities are there for you to use if you want to and to help us all keep in touch during this time.

Our meal vouchers finally arrived today. These have gone out to families who are in receipt of benefits related Free School Meals. If you feel you might be eligible for these, please either make contact with us via our email address below or speak to your class teacher when they next ring you. Some families have chosen not to apply and although they might feel this is right for them and they don't need the meal vouchers it does mean that by not applying, school will miss out on thousands of pounds of funding. We will be in desperate need of this funding when we are able to reopen school and we all know that every little helps! If things have suddenly become difficult then please talk to us - if we can help we will!

Many of you have again asked this week when school will reopen. Although the media have shown a lot of interest in schools reopening after Easter, the only people who can make this decision are the government and at the moment they are saying that it isn't safe for us to do so. Schools will only be able to reopen again when we have moved beyond the peak of this virus and it is safe for both adults and children to be in school again. Like you, we are desperate to get back to school as well! In the meantime, the leadership team continue to work on plans for the future so that when we can reopen school we are ready.

Please continue to be safe and look after your loved ones. On behalf of the team at Grove House, we wish you a very happy Easter weekend.

Yours sincerely



Miss L Clapham
Head of School

You might not be able to see us but we promise we are there.
We're here to help as much as we can because we really care.
If there is something we can help with, we'll do our very best.
Contact us on the address below and we will do the rest!

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