

## Be safe, be kind. Listen and think a lot. Be your best!'



## The Perryfields Post

## Staying At Home

Perryfields Infant School

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As you are aware Perryfields Infant School has been closed for the majority of our children since Monday.

Many of you will be feeling as I do, devastated at the current changes we are all needing to follow. These decisions however have been made for the safety of everyone within our community, country and the world.

However, what I do know is that all our community have shown great resilience, kindness and been extremely supportive and taken on board the ever changing advice from the government.

As you know schools are remaining open for only a very small number of Key Worker children to help beat this horrible virus. During this time I am hoping to continue to communicate with all parents, children and staff to help keep morale as high as possible. Teachers are also communicating to the children via DB Primary and it is wonderful to hear that several children have been safely mailing their teachers and friends.

I want to say thank you right from the outset for everything you are all doing, have already done and will be doing in the coming weeks as we work together to find our way in this new world.

Now that our keyworker provision is up and running, it's time to reach out to our many other families contributing by staying at home. Teachers continue to work from home to provide plans and activities for you to do at home with your children. New activities have already been added to our school website under the 'Working from Home' tab at the top. The information includes free websites and Apps that you can use at home and also a new White Rose maths home learning page for each year group—which is excellent. As we do not know how long the country will be in partial lockdown and how long schools will remain closed for, it is extremely important to establish some kind of home routine and to include a mixture of learning, exercise and fun time. It is my turn to work from home tomorrow and I will be joining Joe Wickes for his Youtube exercise class at 9am with my son, followed by some English, Maths, reading, sewing and if I'm feeling brave some cooking!

Please email in any photos and/or activities you have been busy with and we will look to include them somehow on our website and in our future newsletters. Please send to <a href="mailto:admin@perryfields-inf.essex.sch.uk">admin@perryfields-inf.essex.sch.uk</a>

I hope you all stay safe, well and happy.

My very best wishes

Amanda Reid

## Report Cards

Due to the sudden closure of all schools we were unable to hold our normal parents evenings. With this in mind I have asked the teaching team to complete and extend the normal report cards that are given out at this time. These will give you a good indication of where your child was academically before the school closed. They will also give you some Next Steps for your child to work on which I would suggest could be done at home during this unknown time of school closure. These will be posted to you over the next two to three weeks. Therefore, please can I ask anyone who has moved house since starting school and who has their new address to email this to school ASAP already given us office@perryfields-inf.essex.sch.uk

Many thanks.