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Message from Mr. Krafft & Mrs. Deevoy

Welcome back to term 3. We hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year even though it was probably different from the one you planned.

That theme of changing plans at the last minute and adapting to developing guidance has continued in school too and we are grateful for your support in an ever-changing world.

The staff have been working continuously since the announcement on 30th to ensure we were able to provide good quality remote learning from day 1. We can never fully replicate the classroom but with the introduction of Teams we can try our best.

All children have access to a daily live meet with their teacher. This is an opportunity for the pupils to see friends and ask questions about their work. Daily worship is also available, along with a Maths, English and Foundation subject lesson. These include input via a video or voiced power-point and an activity to complete. There is also a pre-recorded story read by a staff member for the class to enjoy at any point during the day. Y6 stories are on their way soon!

Overall we are pleased with the transition to remote learning, however we are aware there have been some teething

problems, particularly where passwords have been forgotten or misplaced. Support staff have worked hard this week to ensure issues are sorted as quickly as possible and this has been a full time job!

This week has been a week of endless announcements as the Department for Education roll out additional support and the local authority sort out suppliers etc. Messages about school dinners, school fruit, milk, FSM vouchers, devices, data etc. have all gone out on ping, so please do read all messages to keep up to date with the latest information.

We understand this is a very stressful time. The pressure of supporting your child with remote learning as well as managing your day to day life can be tough. Without sounding too cliché, we are all in this together and we want to reassure you that we are here to support in any way we can. We all hope that lockdown 3.0 will be the last and that we will be able to enjoy some level of normality later on this academic year.

Thank you again for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Mrs. Deevoy and Mr. Krafft

School Ping

Please ensure you can access School Ping. This will be the main method of communication from the school. If you are not receiving messages please contact the school office as soon as possible.

Class Dojo and Teams

Children are accessing online learning through Class Dojo and live sessions through Microsoft Teams. We rolled both systems out earlier on in the year with homework being set and parent's evenings taking place virtually. If you are having any issues with either system please let us know. Please also contact the office if you need any physical resources or need a mobile data pack if you do not have wi-fi at home.

Charity Update

Once again you have proved that our value of Generosity is alive and well at Newington CEP School. You raised an incredible £300.99 for the Poppy Appeal and £211 for Children in Need. Thank you!

Dates for your Diary

Below is an outline of the things we have planned for the rest of the academic year. We hoped that restrictions would be eased so we could add to the calendar but unfortunately the opposite has happened.

However, we will continue to make the curriculum fun, exciting and memorable. Anything that we can't move online we will try to reschedule for when the children are back in school.

Spring Term 1 Monday 4th January – Friday 12th February	
Fri 8 th January	Vision Day
Tues 2 nd February	Internet Safety Day
Mon 1 st February – Fri 5 th February	Enterprise Week – Practical use of Maths and English
Spring Term 2 Monday 22nd February – Thursday 1st April	
Mon 1 st March – Fri 5 th March	Book Week
Thurs 4 th March	World Book Day
Frid 12 th March	Red Nose Day
Mon 15 th – Fri 19 th March	Science Week
Summer Term 1 Monday 19th April – Friday 28th May	
10 th – 14 th May	KS2 SATs Week
Friday 14 th May	Race for Life
Monday 24 th May	Values Week
Summer Term 2 Monday 7th June – Wednesday 21st July	
TBC	Charities Week
Thurs 17 th June	Sports Day
Fri 18 th June	INSET DAY – PUPILS DO NOT ATTEND
Thurs 24 th June	Reserve Sports Day
July	Try Something New Month
Wed 21 st July	INSET DAY – PUPILS DO NOT ATTEND