

# Weekly Update

Monday 18th January

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we begin our third week of online learning, I hope you are all managing to access our online provision through Google Classroom. If you have not yet logged into your child's account or are having difficulty accessing or using Google Classroom, please let us know so we can work together to help you.

On our website in the Pupils > Learning Zone section, we have a dedicated page for Google Classroom, along with links for PE Resources but we are always on hand to help if you need it! Please contact the school office on <a href="mailto:ghpsoffice@maidenerleghtrust.org">ghpsoffice@maidenerleghtrust.org</a> if you need any assistance during this period of school closure.

We have worked very hard to improve our online learning since the previous lockdown last year. We are very keen to hear your views and gain feedback on this provision as this will help us assess and improve further. Please take a moment to fill out our quick questionnaire by clicking on this link: **Feedback Form**.

We continue to celebrate the children's learning both at home and within our Emergency Provision in school and I hope you are finding the weekly phase newsletters informative and useful. These are also available online in the <u>Parent Letters</u> section of our website.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our parents and carers for their resilience and perseverance as we had to make the change very quickly to remote learning. I would also like to thank each and every member of staff for their continued dedication and hard work to ensure that the children's education continues with as little disruption as possible.

Please remember that the lockdown restrictions remain in place and it is essential that we all follow the guidance so that we can protect ourselves and each other. The latest guidance can be found on the government website here: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home</a>

Take care and stay safe



Richard Ferris Headteacher

# Important

### **Inset Day Reminder**

Please remember that next Wednesday (27<sup>th</sup> January) is an Inset Day and the **school will be closed to all children**. This date has been set across all schools in Maiden Erlegh Trust.

# **Learning for Children in School**

**STAY HOME** 

**PROTECT** 

**SAVE LIVES** 

If your child is part of our Emergency Provision and is coming into school, please send their Google Classroom login information (username & password) in with them. This can be written in their diary and will enable us to log them in where necessary to complete the set tasks at school as they would at home.

Thinking and Learning Together
Achieving Forever

## **Special Mentions for GREAT Learning**

We continue to be so impressed with the amazing learning that is happening at home and how hard the children are working to keep up with their learning. In particular this week, we would like to say well done to:

**Eryk** (Reception) for fully embracing his remote learning, joining Google Classroom every day and completing all his home learning tasks with great enthusiasm; **Dexter** (Y1) and **Bailey** (Y1) for creating some brilliant 3D bikes as part of their extra learning; **Joey C** (Y1) for always participating in Zoom lessons with a smile!; Olivia (Y1) for making great contributions during Zoom lessons and making a lovely 3D model of a bike from recyclable materials; Joey C (Y2) for an amazing video retelling of 'Mrs Armitage on Wheels'; Skyla-Rose (Y2) for a fantastic retelling of 'Mrs Armitage on Wheels' in photos, using props; Alex K (Y2) for joining in all the time; Katarzyna (Y2) for working really hard online, joining all the live lessons and also for a very nice Mrs Armitage story map; Jakob (Y2) for some brilliant photos of his freeze frames; Victoria (Y3) for always engaging in the live lessons in a positive way and with a lovely smile; **Freddie** (Y3) for trying his best and asking and answering questions over Zoom calls, which is very brave; Reg (Y3) for excellent behaviour for learning and taking part in the lessons in a positive way; **Demi** (Y3) for composing a kind poem about her friend and bravely reading it out to everyone during the online writing session; Arlo (Y3) for contributing answers to questions during every lesson online over the past two weeks; Ollie R(Y4) for all his hard work completing the online learning tasks; Joshua C (Y4) for consistently engaging and producing high quality work online; Cairo (Y4) for actively engaging and participating in all his learning; **Sam** (Y5) for his perseverance in his Maths learning online and sticking with the Topics he is not sure on while trying to learn what to do; **India** (Y5) for producing a high quality of written work for all tasks and using the mark schemes to help her self-assessments; Taliya (Y5) for approaching all tasks with enthusiasm and using live lessons well to support her learning; Crystal (Y6) for responding to feedback and engaging well with all tasks; Michelle (Y6) for responding thoughtfully to feedback given to help her improve.

We are so proud of all the learning that is continuing at home and in school, keep up the GREAT

work!



#### PE News from Mr Roberts

Thank you to everyone who has sent in their scores so far for the PE Fitness Frenzy Challenges. This competition will be extended until this Friday (22<sup>nd</sup>) and we will let you know the winners in next week's newsletter.

The challenges are on our website, in the PE Resources section, or you can view them by clicking these links: KS1 Fitness Frenzy Challenges KS2 Fitness Frenzy Challenges

I have a couple of things to share with you this week. We all know how important it is to keep active while learning or working at home. Activity breaks also help keep concentration up for both children and their parents! For links to help structure the day, please visit: <a href="https://getberkshireactive.org/keeping-active-whilst-home-learn">https://getberkshireactive.org/keeping-active-whilst-home-learn</a>

I would also like to share a link for 'Dan the Skipping Man' on YouTube. His channel can be found here: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/c/dantheskippingman/playlists">https://www.youtube.com/c/dantheskippingman/playlists</a>

We would also like to share the link for PlaySport's YouTube channel, they will be adding videos three times a week to help support the children with their PE learning at home – it can be found here: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCfuUfMVE5kWoZb47WCSmpig">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCfuUfMVE5kWoZb47WCSmpig</a>