



Parent Newsletter 27th April 2020

Dear Parents,

I hope you are well and keeping safe.

I wanted to let you know a few things as we carry on in lockdown and distance learning.

First of all, you are welcome to email us with any questions or concerns regarding your child even if it is not to do with the home learning. We are here to help you with any difficulties you may be facing as best we can.

Please, do not worry if they are not doing all the work we have set and if they are, then well done, you are incredible! All children are different and respond differently in situations and let's face it this is nothing like anything we have experienced before. I am going to include some links at the bottom of this message to help sites if you feel they are needing help emotionally/mentally. As long as they keep ticking over and doing the basics that is enough. So, if they are happy, fed and watered you are winning!

Thank you for all the feedback we have received about the home learning, we are keen to know your thoughts, as this is such a learning curve for us too!

I hope those of you whose children were able to receive a call from their class teacher last week, found this useful. The aim of these calls are to keep up the connection to school and offer support, not to check up on their home learning. Miss Stirling, Miss Duncan, Mrs Roberts and Miss Judd felt privileged to speak to your children at this difficult time. This week classes 3M, 6BW, 5WL and 4P are given this opportunity. Please remember to sign up using parent mail for your child appointment. If you have a preferred number to be called on, can you let us know by emailing the school office on office@meonjuniorschool.org.uk.

Please keep continuing to share what your children are up to with us, we love sharing this on our Facebook page and it is really helping to keep us all positive at this time, as well as miss them a little less when we see their smiling faces. By emailing your pictures and messages to us, we are assuming you have given permission for us to share them on Facebook. If you would rather this just to be sent to their class teacher, please indicate this.

The teachers are keen to give feedback to pupils completing work and this can be shared on the google drive or google classroom directly to their teacher or by emailing it to the school office and we will pass it on.

Finally, here are some Mindfulness and mental health links:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/47243692>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zjvwkmn>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/five-ways-to-help-childrens-wellbeing/zfb2d6f>

Take care and stay safe and don't forget to look after yourselves too!

Warm Regards

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