

Dear Stallingborough School family,

We hope you are all staying safe and we continue to wish you well.

There has been a lot of speculation in the press about when and how children will return to school. We are very keen for the Government to open school again but are very clear that this will need to be safe for children, safe for parents, safe for staff and safe for the wider community before this can happen.

As we move towards the Government's second phase, a new horizon will emerge and we will keep you up to date with any changes as we know them. You will have seen that schools are finding out changes at the same time as you are during the daily press conferences. We certainly don't know any more than you at this time regarding what the future for schools looks like.

During the first phase, we have been working very hard and ensuring our vulnerable families are safe and well and that the website is kept up to date with our thoughts on home learning and any relevant resources. We have also been in contact with any families asking for support via the office email address. We are following Government guidelines and working with the Local Authority to support our vulnerable families, some of you will also have been contacted by the Local Authority offering further support.

However if you or anyone in your family has not been contacted and feel you need support please do not hesitate to contact us via the office email address [office@sp.nelcmail.co.uk](mailto:office@sp.nelcmail.co.uk)

Reverend Pam at Stallingborough Church has also offered to say prayers for any of our families who would like this, please send requests through to the office.

As we have said, there is no pressure for parents from us regarding quantities of home learning as we understand these times are demanding on all of our physical and emotional well being. The home learning on our school's website and on the Facebook page continues to be updated with any new resources available and the year group specifics continue to be relevant.

Consolidating knowledge and skills at this time is much better than trying to teach new concepts at home. Lots of parents are finding the Oak National Academy and BBC Bitesize useful as these websites provide online lessons with both a structured and a dip in and out approach.

On our Facebook page, we are staying connected with each other by sharing any photos of any creations and work you are proud of.

We are conscious that this is a stressful time for our children and many will be missing school, their friends and teacher. If you feel your child would benefit from sharing any of their photos or work with their teacher and friends on our Facebook page or on the Edmodo pages, please send them via a message. We love to see what you have been doing.

In these troubling times the main focus for everyone is keeping each other safe. Please stay safe, we can't wait to see you all again soon.

Love and best wishes

All the Stallingborough CE Primary staff

## Free School Meals

During these challenging times, we want to ensure that pupils who are eligible for free school meals can continue to access support if they are not in school. The school have registered with the Department for Education and Edenred UK who have set up a partnership to offer supermarket food vouchers. Due to exceptionally high demand Edenred UK are having some difficulties in delivering the vouchers via email but are working hard to resolve these issues so that the people who are in the most need can be helped during these difficult times. If you are registered for free school meal entitlement and need the food vouchers, please email the school at [office@sp.nelcmail.co.uk](mailto:office@sp.nelcmail.co.uk) with your email address and we will endeavour to register you with the DfE and Edenred.

Please note that free school meals are not the same as Universal Infant Free School Meals which are available to FS and KS1 children.