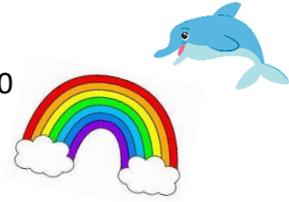


Headteacher Newsletter 2

Week Commencing: Monday 20th April 2020

Value of the Month: Service



Remote Learning

Remote learning has been in full swing today and seems to be going well. As with all new changes, there will be teething problems so please bear with us.

Daily remote learning will include

Maths

English

Wider curriculum activity/challenge

Miss Morrison will also be adding additional optional activities to the whole school page which I know you have already enjoyed participating in. This week is Yoga and Art.

This is a challenging and unique time for us all and one that we are having to make many adaptations for. Home educating can be challenging, particularly in these circumstances. Please be reassured that we all appreciate any work you are managing to complete at home. The last thing I want anyone to feel is added pressure – therefore please continue to engage and complete as much as you can to suite your individual circumstances.

Remember that you can message any member of staff with queries, questions or concerns via Dojo or email.

Dojo Points

A very big congratulations to the following pupils for reaching 100 Class Dojo points last week:

Poppy Wooldridge – Year 1

Keira Hadwin – Year 2

Well done! 🎉

Support

In addition to the support information I gave out last week, there is also a local Facebook group 'Askam & Ireleth Coronavirus Help and Information page'. The page set up by an ISP parent provides a wealth of information and support. Well done and thank you Mrs Casson!

Keeping connected with Church

As you are aware, the children participate in daily Collective Worship at ISP. We have a host of various groups and local clergy members who enhance this and I'm sure the children will be missing this.

Please see link below shared from Ulverston Parish Church which has some fantastic resources including podcasts and links for Family Worship.

<http://www.ulverstonparishchurch.org/c/hildren-and-family-resources>

The link below has been shared by Carlisle Diocese.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/Fischymusic>

Fischy Music are recording an assembly every Monday.

VOM

Our Value of the Month for April is *Service*

School Meals

School meal ordering will be live on ParentMail every Wednesday to be completed by Thursday 12pm. This applies to FSM and UFSM (Reception-Year 2). Mrs Buckingham is preparing these in school for collection.

Weekly Prayer

I would love to be able to continue adding a prayer to my weekly newsletter. These are written by the children and make a lovely addition. If your child would like to contribute a prayer, please do send me this over and I will continue adding these weekly.

Showing thanks...

We would love to be able to display pictures and messages of thanks at School. These will be placed in Dolphin Class Window for all to see. If you would like to create a poster, please either email it to me or send me a picture of it via Class Dojo this week. This will be a lovely gesture to show our thanks and appreciation to all our Key Workers.



Emergency Childcare

As you know, schools are being asked to provide emergency childcare for Key Worker families. We are part of Askam Hub, along with Burlington CofE School. As it stands, we have only had to make use of this very occasionally therefore I want to thank you for making arrangements to enable your children to stay safe at home. There is a cap of 10 pupils at the Hub and places are granted based on set criteria.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Doherty, Mrs Britton and Miss MacDonald who have been staffing the hub when we have needed it for an ISP pupil.

Thank you also to Mrs Buckingham for providing lunches. If you require emergency childcare provision, please email myself and Mrs Doherty to arrange this.

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Wellbeing and Mental Health

Now more than ever, this is so important and it is great to see everyone pulling together to support one another. Like you, I cannot wait for life to resume as normal and feel we need to have a big party when this is over!

If anyone is struggling and needs support, please get in touch. A helpful booklet has been shared with schools and I have arranged for this to be emailed via ParentMail.

Final words...

As you will have heard on the news, there are no signs of schools reopening soon. These are challenging times for us all but I am certain we will get through this, together. I did not think I could be more proud of Team ISP until this. I want to say a big thank you to my incredibly hard working staff for the work they are putting in to ensure learning can still take place and that they are contactable to you.

As always, your support for ISP and our local community is also appreciated and I thank you for this. If you require anything, please do get in touch via email and I will be happy to help.

Best wishes to stay safe and take care,

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Please ensure you check Class Dojo regularly.



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