

# Himbleton Herald - Issue 15 2021

## OUR VALUES THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

A RIVER CUTS  
THROUGH A ROCK  
NOT BECAUSE OF  
ITS POWER, BUT  
ITS PERSISTENCE.

THE THIRDSAY

THE HIMALAYAS

### Nurture, Nature, Knowledge:

*Enabling inquisitive thinkers and inspired learners with kind hearts.*

*Is it really only two weeks since the Prime Minister made his announcement regarding Lockdown #3?! What a strange time this is for everyone, all trying to navigate our way around different demands and changes to routine whilst staying as safe as possible. As a school we have been so impressed by the resilient, positive approach of all of our children and families. We appreciate how tricky remote learning can be and how, if your child is in school, the impact that no Wrap Around Care provision can have on your working day. We want to say 'THANK YOU' – for your dedication, flexibility and on-going engagement and communication with us.*

### CHANGE OF AGE

Following a couple of queries, just a note to reassure parents/carers of our current Year 4 cohort that the change of age for September 2021 is moving forward as planned, despite the current circumstances.

### REMOTE LEARNING POLICY AND PLAN

Our remote learning policy is on our school website. We endeavour to offer a combination of virtual sessions and prepared learning opportunities so that we can maintain a sense of togetherness, provide interaction and academic provision.

### PRAYERS

The importance of taking time to reflect and reach out and come together has really come to the forefront over the past few months. The link below includes some thoughtful prayers, should you choose to take a look:

[https://www.christianaid.org.uk/pray/c\\_hurches/coronavirus-prayers](https://www.christianaid.org.uk/pray/c_hurches/coronavirus-prayers)

### KEY WORKER AND VULNERABLE ATTENDERS

The children currently in school are working really hard on the same learning opportunities as those at home.

They come in with a big smile each day, ready to embrace what lies ahead and taking careful note of the safety measures in place.

Thank you to the parents/carers of these children for working with us to ensure we have an accurate understanding of attendance across each week.

A polite reminder to those dropping off at 9am and picking up at 3pm to please wear a mask (unless exempt), maintain a social distance and leave the site promptly to make the process as safe as possible.

Thank you!

### STAFF AVAILABILITY

We currently have a rota in place that ensures children at home and children in school all have learning experiences with both our teachers and teaching assistants across the week. Please note, this may mean that messages directed to specific staff members via ClassDojo may not be picked up straight away. In addition, some staff are part-time. We thank you in anticipation for your patience.

### ACCESS TO EDUCATION

As a school, we have a duty to monitor the accessing of education for all our children and ensure that children are safe. We completely understand that all families are in different situations and certainly do not want to make anyone feel anxious or worried in relation to remote learning. For example, we know that, for some, attendance at the virtual meetings is tricky due to other commitments. However, we do monitor closely attendance at virtual sessions and also uploaded work so that we can offer support where needed. If you need further support or would like us to be aware of a situation, please do get in touch.

### DEVICE ACCESS

If you are having issues with device access that result in your child being unable to access our remote learning provision, please email [head@himbleton.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:head@himbleton.worcs.sch.uk). Thank you.

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2021