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End of Term 4 Newsletter

Dear Parents / Carers

Today marks the last day of a very interrupted Term 4, that none of us have welcomed. The last few weeks have been extraordinary: however I hope that you are all safe and well and have adapted to our new way of learning and living.

Thank you for your positive feedback regarding our home/school communications and our suggested home learning resources. We hope that you have found activities to keep your children motivated and inspired over the last couple of weeks, whether this has been through your own ideas as a family or by accessing our year group Home Learning packs and the daily challenges on Class Dojo. The teachers have enjoyed seeing how you have interpreted 'home learning' through the posts and updates that they have had back. Do keep these coming in via Dojo as we miss seeing your children in person.

The Easter break is now upon us, and it will be unlike any other break we have experienced as we are required to stay indoors as much as possible. To support you through this unsettling time, we will be available should you need us, through the office or the headteacher e mail addresses, shared in our earlier letter to you.

If you would like to access further resources to keep the children busy, please visit our the 'Learning from Home' area accessed using the 'For Parents' tab on our website and you will now find this easily accessible via a large pop up tab on the front page of the website for a wealth of links to all subject areas.

During the Easter 'holiday' period, class teachers will not be responding to enquiries on the class dojo pages. During the Easter holidays, the school continues to stay open to run provision for children whose parents are critical workers. This will be run on a rota by our teaching team, fully supported by our support staff and administration team. I would like to thank all our colleagues for their dedication, care and commitment during this time, supporting our families who are critical workers.

Class Dojo Pages will not be automatically updated in the Easter holidays; these will be refreshed from Monday 20 April – officially the start of Term 5 with guidance on work for Term 5 onwards. The teachers will be setting far more focussed work tasks in Term 5 on a daily basis, linked to what the children would have been doing in class so please do log on daily for this work. We have tried to contact all families who have not logged onto dojo and teachers are concerned that not everyone is doing so, missing out on valuable work and links to school. We are also at school each day if you do need to pop up for things, but please keep this to an absolute minimum and only if you are 100% well. Any contact brings potential risks.

During the Easter period, teachers are writing their annual reports to parents. These will go out two terms early: they will be posted to you during the first week back after Easter, in order to help you as parents work on key areas of your child's learning that the teachers have identified and will report on. Teachers will once again be available daily via Dojo for you to communicate with them, and to get further guidance on how to support learning at home.

If you need any support or guidance in the holidays, please remember that we are on duty and available: Mr Grainger, and the school leadership team are contactable daily throughout the holidays and into the next term, should you need us.

Kent County Council has also launched a new 24 hour helpline called Kent Together to support vulnerable people in Kent who need urgent help, supplies or medication. The helpline will provide a single, convenient point of contact for anyone in the county who is in urgent need of help during the Coronavirus outbreak. If you are vulnerable and have an urgent need that cannot be met through existing support networks, or are concerned about the welfare of someone else you can contact the Kent Together helpline at www.kent.gov.uk/KentTogether or by calling on 03000 41 92 92.

As we approach Easter, we remember that Jesus told his disciples that He would always be with them. We can draw comfort and strength that we need never be alone.

Please stay safe and healthy and remember to follow the government advice about staying at home whenever possible, to keep everyone safe and protect the NHS.

Your Reculver family are all here to support you, and we miss you all every day. We will keep in touch with important updates, as they happen.

Yours Sincerely



Mrs Jenny Ashley-Jones

Headteacher



