



Tilston Parochial
CE Primary School

Bringing out the Best in Everyone.
'Encourage one another and build each other up.' Thessalonians 5:11

Date: 3rd April 2020

Dear Parents

It has been an extremely busy couple of weeks, and we have all survived week 2 on lockdown. We do appreciate that supporting your child at home is extremely challenging, especially when you are also working from home. Please only do what is achievable for you and your family. The most important thing is to stay at home and keep safe.

Remote Learning

I have really enjoyed looking at the work the children are completing at home and seeing the incredible support they are offering each other during these unprecedented times. The children are all eager to be back in school, as are all the staff. We currently do not have any information from the government regarding a date for reopening the school. I have daily updates and the current picture is that social distancing is having a positive impact by helping to reduce the spread of the virus. We will be advised when it is safe to reopen school and look forward to letting you know when that will be. I have promised the children we will mark this occasion and ring the school bell very loudly; it will be our way of shouting from the roof tops that our wonderful school community have been reunited!

*We hope to
see you soon*

Year 6's

The summer term is a very special term for our Year 6 pupils. We are keeping our fingers crossed that we WILL be back in school to celebrate their special time at Tilston Primary School. Please be assured that we will mark this extremely important time in their lives, whether we are back in school or have our celebrations later in the year. ALL year 6 pupils will have the opportunity to sign their shirts, say goodbye to their Buddies and enjoy an 'After SATs' party. Yes, we know they haven't sat the official SATs tests this year, but they have all certainly put in a great amount of hard work and effort over the past 9 years and deserve to celebrate. Miss Winter has been very busy marking mock SATs tests and we are very confident that the year 6's would have performed brilliantly this year! We will mark this special occasion with a Leavers' Service at St Mary's Church before saying goodbye to them.

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Mental Health and wellbeing

If you have any concerns for your child's health and wellbeing during these challenging times please see the advice on: www.youngminds.org.uk. The Young Minds provide help and guidance for parents. This help can be found via this website.

Rainbows for Nightingale.

A message from the NHS....

The NHS are asking children to create beautiful pictures of rainbows to decorate the new NHS Nightingale Hospital. I know that our wonderful school community will be wanting to do something positive to make a difference to people during these very difficult times. If you would like to join in, please follow the guidance below. They have not yet provided an address to send pictures to, but I will keep you updated. In the meantime, have fun creating your pictures, feel proud you are making a difference and keep them somewhere safe ready for posting.



Please ensure that pictures are A4 so they can be laminated for infection control purposes. If you can laminate them before sending to your regional hub PLEASE do! This saves a lot of work for those who are giving up time to do this. Feel free to draw as many as you like there are no restrictions on sharing the love! Also if you'd like to write a message of hope or get well wishes please feel free to!

Condover Hall Residential- Years 5 and 6

The residential visit to Condover Hall has not yet been cancelled. I have been in contact with the company and they have cancelled all trips due to take place in April. If the trip is cancelled, we will notify you and issue a refund. As things are changing daily, we are in touch with many companies who do not yet have any definitive answers. Companies are all working with a skeleton staff so there are obvious delays. Please bear with us and we will be in touch as soon as we have any information to share

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Tilston Parish Council have received a grant to provide support to families in need in our community. If you are struggling in any way and need a helping hand, there is support in our community. Rev Tim and Rev Norma are working with members of the community to put together food parcels.

The Memorial Hall is being used to store the hampers. If you would like a little support, please do not hesitate to contact Rev Tim and Rev Norma on **01829 250 989**.

Easter

The Easter holidays will start today, Friday 3rd April and there will be no remote learning activities set. We encourage all children to take a break from the online platform and have fun. The weather forecast is looking promising so please take time to enjoy the sun together. School will reopen on Monday 20th April and teachers will continue to set work using the Pupil Area.

First 4 Maths have kindly provided a range of garden and Lego activities for you to try over the Easter Holidays. Please see the attached.

Easter Prayer

God of wonder, God of new life
On Good Friday we remember how the friends of Jesus
Cried tears at the cross.
They were sad and quiet as he was laid in the tomb.



On Easter day we will remember how their sadness turned to joy

When Jesus rose from the dead and returned.
He brought the promise of new life and forgiveness to us all.

Help us to remember every day
The gift of your son Jesus to the world
And always be thankful,
Amen

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A message from us all...

Dear Children,

Please know that we are not enjoying this time away from our wonderful school. We think about you, we hope you are safe and healthy. We miss your stories, we miss your smiles, we miss you and we miss our classrooms with the energy and laughter you bring.

We are all looking forward to being together again.

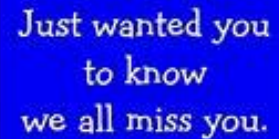
Love,

The Tilston Team x

Best wishes



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we all miss you.

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