



LIONEL WALDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to say how impressed the staff have been with those children who have returned to school this week. I know many of you, together with your children, had concerns and reservations due to the unusual circumstance we find ourselves in. We have been so proud of how the children have settled into their bubbles, how they have followed guidance on hygiene matters and keeping their distance, as well as focussing so well on their learning - please reiterate to them how pleased we are with their excellent attitude and behaviour. It has been a positive return. We also appreciate your co-operation and understanding at drop-off and collection times. Everything has run smoothly and according to plan. Thank you for your feedback and support.

Thank you to all parents/carers who are continuing to support their children's learning at home. We recognise how difficult it is for you, trying to juggle your own work and other family commitments whilst doing your best to support your children's education - you are doing a fantastic job! Teachers and teaching assistants have worked together to ensure that each year group has a Home Learning package - for some this remains mostly paper-based and for the older children it is accessed through online platforms. Some parents have informed us when they have experienced difficulties with any aspect of the work and the staff have been quick to respond and provide additional support, including further paper-based packs, if required - we are keen to help in whatever way we can, just ask! Staff will also endeavour to continue telephoning those families who are not attending school at the moment, however, it does take a considerable amount of time to work through the class lists; if you would appreciate a call sooner rather than later, please email the School Office and we shall prioritise you.

I shall continue to provide updates whenever there is anything new to report. In the meantime, continue to do your best in these challenging times. Please maintain contact with us via email - we love seeing all your photographs of the activities you are engaged in - keep them coming.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, if you have any further concerns or questions.

With my very best wishes to you all
S A Barnard-Taylor

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