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ACTIVITIES IN SCHOOL



As you may be aware, Wycliffe has remained open for some children over the past few weeks and over the Easter holidays.

Staff have been working hard to plan creative and athletic activities, and the children have taken part with enthusiasm and pride. We even showed off on the pavement and got peeped at enthusiastically by passing motorists!

The children have thrown themselves in to a huge variety of tasks with great enthusiasm in such unusual circumstances. They have produced some beautiful artwork and all our outdoor activities are wearing them out alongside keeping them fit and healthy!



ACTIVITIES AT HOME



It has been wonderful to hear from some of you about the exciting creative and academic projects you have been getting up to while learning at home.

Here are some of the brilliant photos that have been sent in by our pupils. By the looks of it, you are all keeping hard at work and finding wonderfully creative ways to keep busy; with geography, art, science, gardening, and P.E with Joe Wickes every morning just some of the activities you've told us about! Please keep sending your messages and pictures into us at: office@wyciffe.bradford.sch.uk.



COVID-19 UPDATES

The school website continues to be updated regularly with home learning sheets and suggestions of useful websites.

For all updates Visit: <https://wycliffeprimary.org/covid-19-information/> (info from the government website).

We update class pages daily, and the Home Learning Zone also sees regular updates.

We even have a Celebration Assembly uploaded every Thursday – taken by the staff in school that day!

We are currently assessing a new way of presenting home learning – as a weekly overview to ensure that as and when the Government direct a return to school – we can still manage ‘in class’ delivery alongside some home learning. I hope this won’t cause too much confusion when we start.

THANK YOU NHS!



Our pupils have shown their appreciation for the vital work our amazing NHS and carers are doing during this crisis by producing these wonderful posters and rainbows. These are proudly displayed on our school gates so everyone can see how grateful we all are for the tireless efforts of our medical heroes.



UPCOMING EVENTS

We will keep you regularly updated as much as possible with any developments using the school website and via text message and email.

MESSAGE FROM: Mrs. Baxter

Hello everyone, I hope that you are all doing the best that you can under these difficult circumstances. I personally miss you all very much and hope that we can all be back in school again soon.

Also missed have been Miss Rawling and Mrs. Sawyer. They both began a phased return to work this week and were welcomed by all with virtual hugs!

The teachers are working really hard to make sure that children have work to do whilst they are not in school. Our website has lots of fun learning ideas and we sent links to new learning when we can – without overwhelming you.

As we keep saying – do what you can – when you can in relation to home learning. Your well-being and mental health is our priority. Lots of reading will really support a return to schooling in all curriculum areas.

There have been ‘murmurs’ of a return to school being phased – meaning we could have home learning for quite some time yet as it’s a possibility that not all children would return every day. You will be the first to know when we know more details.

Another teacher video looming later today – our small way to keep us all in touch, apart but together and still smiling!

Please stay safe and follow all government guidance. **Vigilance is crucial!**

Please support the Thank A Teacher Day:

<https://thankateacher.co.uk/thank-a-teacher-day/> on May 20th. This is a national campaign that the education world, children and young people and the wider general public can engage with to show their appreciation to teachers/support staff for their incredible work – particularly since the lockdown. There is a toolkit with all the information and resources that you may need. Please send any to school via email and we shall make a short film clip with them!

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

The Government scheme to provide food vouchers for those children entitled to free school meals is now up and running, through their partner, Edenred.

Families who have been contacted by us should soon receive an email containing voucher codes **but please be patient as they are experiencing a backlog on the system.**

If you have not applied for free schools meals but think you may be eligible, please apply here:

<https://www.bradford.gov.uk/benefits/applying-for-benefits/free-school-meals/>

We will aim to send out further eCodes next week to cover a 2 week period. Please email the office should you have any problems.



KEEPING IN TOUCH

Emails continue to be checked regularly so please let us know if we can support you in any way, and we will try our best to answer any questions you may have. Please also keep sending in ideas, news and pictures of things that you are doing at home. Any messages for teachers will be passed on to them and staff would be delighted to hear from pupils.

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