

HFS KIT Parents 25th March 2020

Dear Parents,

I hope everyone is keeping well and you are enjoying the sunshine and time at home. If you're not at home that probably means you are a key worker. So, thank you for all you are doing to support the Covid-19 response.

I heard some parents are anxious that children are not really completing much work and that some of the websites are crashing, but please do not worry. The small group of key worker children in school are not doing too much work either. The staff I've spoken to have also said the days go so quickly. By the time they have cleared up from breakfast it's lunchtime, and by the time they've cleared up from lunch it's dinner time. This is really a time to hold your children tightly and tell them how much you love them.

Miss Delaloye has a new job. Yesterday, we decided we have a school within a school and Miss Delaloye is now the headteacher of the HFCS Key Worker School. Our Key Workers' children are enjoying playing on the field and with board games and I am enjoying watching them as they do their daily 9am Body Coach with Joe Wicks. I heard him talking on the radio this morning and he was so inspiring and positive; if your child hasn't tried a Body Coach session yet, please do encourage them to have a go. He actually said he thinks his 9am session for children is the best thing he will ever achieve in his life. He said it seems as though its going to be the thing that has the greatest impact on the widest audience. How fabulous, and Holy Family children are part of that!

Staff are keeping themselves busy working from home and Mrs Basquil has made a great web page which is now on our website. We are very lucky, as Mrs Basquil has both an ELSA (Emotional Literacy) and a Mental Health First Aid qualification. She has called her webpage HFCS Funzone and you will find lots of indoor activities, advice for parents and you can even listen to her reading a book. Thank you Mrs Basquil: as ever, you know just what we need.

So, life has largely stopped and the challenge now is to reconnect with your immediate family. There is no doubt this will be a sad time for so many families, however, if your family stay well your children could well remember this period as one of the best times of their lives.

I have said I will write to you all on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Despite sending my last letter on Monday evening I believe most of you only recieved it yesterday afternoon – apologies.

Stay indoors, away from your treasured elderly relatives and enjoy lots of cuddles on the sofa!

God bless

Mrs Benn and SLT