



*"Do all the good you can,
by all the means you can."*

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Update - Monday 11th January 2021:

1. Home Learning – the inevitable increase in Internet traffic has unfortunately led to some sites crashing, including Tapestry and Mathletics. We apologise for this and hope the issues will be resolved swiftly. Although we would ideally like all children to engage in all tasks, we fully appreciate that this is simply not possible. The overarching message is 'do what you can'. Our priorities at present are to stay healthy and happy 😊.

2. Mrs Ross has planned to do Guided Reading sessions on Google Meet for those in Year 5 and Year 6 tomorrow morning. Children will need to click on the Meet Link within the header of the Y5/6 Home Learning classroom at their allotted time:

- Kensuke's Kingdom (please check your pack for the book) - 10am
- The Infinite Lives of Maisie Day - 11am.

3. Over the weekend the Department for Education amended their advice regarding attendance at school during lockdown. Lancashire County Council produced the following statement:

"the DfE has asked all parents, even those who fall into the wider definition of critical worker, to keep their children at home if they can."

Firstly, I would like to reiterate that we are here for any child/family who needs us. However, we are conscious that our children and staff travel to Holmeswood from a wide catchment including Preston, South Ribble and Sefton, as well as from across the West Lancashire region.

In order to reduce contact between households and reduce the risk to all, please could I ask parents to consider again whether it is necessary for your child to attend and, if so, need they attend every day, or for full days.

Once again, please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns. Many thanks in advance of your support,

Mr Higson

