



Aiskew, Leeming Bar Church of England Primary School

NEWSLETTER

March 20th
2020

Rooted in love and growing together to become lifelong learners!

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who has been so supportive of school this week despite the dreadful situation we are facing. We have been working very hard to ensure high quality learning can continue, albeit in a slightly different format to normal. The children have done very well to still be enthusiastic about their learning and have managed to focus on it. I think it just shows that the Building Learning Power work we have done with them has really paid off; they have certainly managed their distractions well. School is closed on Monday to pupils unless their parents are keyworkers and we have prearranged to have them.

End of an Era

It is a sad time in school and full of uncertainty, especially for our Y6 pupils. The end of an era is difficult at the best of times. I sincerely hope that we are able to meet up as a whole school family before they go to their next schools in September in order for us to give them a proper 'send off'. If this is not possible, I have promised that we will do something special for them in September and that their time at primary school will still be properly marked.

Vision for Home Learning

Our vision for home learning is that we work with your child from 9:00am - 2:00pm each day for Y1 - Y6 (EYFS follow a different curriculum so won't be as structured). We will set them a variety of tasks. We will try to alternate between screen time and written work as best we can. This is uncharted territory for us as we have not done this before so fingers crossed it works! We think that enabling pupils to continue their education is of great importance and by trying to keep things 'normal' will help children to cope with a very difficult and unsettling situation. If we can work remotely with your child, you will be free to do whatever you need to do! We do suggest that children put on their school jumpers during this time to help them make the distinction from free time to school time. It is also important that pupils sit in a comfortable position in the house. The dining table would work well. Having a water bottle will also help concentration and make it feel like school.

We are asking that pupils log into Seesaw each morning at 9:00 so that they can access their daily tasks. This will be the main way we stay in contact. If this fails, or we need to progress to a different platform, we will contact parents by email with appropriate instructions. It is a bit trial and error and maybe 'clunky' until we get into the swing of things. We do hope that you are able to support us and your child with this.

We will not be writing a detailed newsletter every week. Any news will be communicated as and when through email/text. We will be sharing good examples of learning throughout this time on the school's Facebook page.

We hope you make good use of the 2 documents included in your child's 'pack'. There is one that suggests 100 fun things to do. Maybe your child could upload a picture on Seesaw of them doing the different activities. There is also a booklet of recommended things the government would like pupils to do in each year group. We would like children to try to do as many of these as they can. Obviously, they don't need to do the things suggested for older children if they are in Acorn Class but all children may like to check that they have done the younger activities. Well-being and good mental health is going to be important therefore we hope these may help. We have also given each child a skipping rope to play with. We are concerned that children will not be able to exercise as much as they normally do therefore thought if they had a skipping rope, they could use it to exercise without needing a lot of space. We do ask that these are returned when we are allowed to come back to school. Taking exercise is another important step in maintaining your well-being.

Thank you again for all your support.

Please stay safe and hopefully we will be able to be back to normal soon. Together we can make this work.

Spring Term 2020 / First Summer Half Term

March

Monday 23rd

Closed until further notice

If you would like a hard copy of this newsletter sent home please contact Mrs Bentley in the school office.

This week's
Learning Hero

Is Eevy-Mai and Ralfs

**Pupil of the Week
Certificates**

Our Pupil of the Week is:
Sofia and Leo

Writers of the week
Congratulations
Maison and Charlie
for your writing this week

Handwriters of the week
Congratulations
Sara and Savannah

Mathlete of the Week
Frankie

Well done for reaching 4556 points

Mathematicians
of the week are
Amelia and Isobel

Reading Eggs Certificate

This week's certificates go to
Thomas

Silver Maths Certificates
Congratulations to
Althea

The Spelling Shed
CHAMPION is
Maison

Bronze Maths Certificates
Congratulations to
**Amelia, Althea, Charlie, L-Jay,
Frankie, Ralfs, Raf, Frankie,
Elijah and Althea**

**PE Player of
the Week**
is... **Veronica**



STAR SPELLERS

this week goes to
Charlie and Amelia
Well done