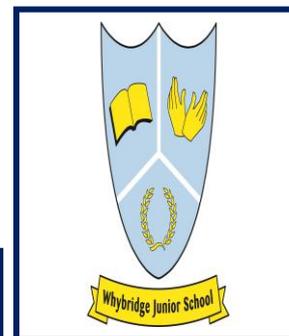




## WINNING WAYS TO WELLBEING



# Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020

### Message from Mrs Warshow, Head of School

I want to offer a huge thank you to the whole Whybridge Juniors school community for pulling together over the past two weeks. I have been overwhelmed by the positivity of our pupils, resilience and commitment of our staff and the encouragement and appreciation of parents. We are proud to be able to support our key worker families, and those with vulnerable children, by providing the childcare needed for them to carry out their work during the COVID-19 response. I hope, where possible, you are all following the Government's request to stay at home and keep yourselves safe and well. Thank you for your emails, phone calls and good wishes; everyone is pulling together and we are deeply grateful for your co-operation and understanding.

By now you might be starting to adjust to working or learning at home. Whybridge staff have been getting used to this way of working also – see their photos on the next page. It's also been amazing to see all the fabulous things the children have been getting up to at home, from completing their work packs, to baking cookies to making pizza. Please keep sending these photos to us via ClassDojo and we'll share them in our newsletters and on the school website. Most importantly though, please remember that although formal lessons like English and maths are important, they are not the only way to learn! It is equally, if not more important at this time, to spend time together; sharing life skills around the home, maintaining physical activities, having fun and allowing for relaxation time (for parents and teachers, as well as children!).

As of Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April, any pupils from Whybridge Junior School, whose parents require childcare as the only option for them to continue to do the critical work needed for the COVID-19 response, will be looked after at **Scargill Infant School**. A free sandwich lunch will be on offer for each pupil who attends. **Please note the change of location for next week.**

Staff members from Whybridge Junior School will be working with the children at Scargill Infants and there will still be staff on hand to answer phone calls and provide information and care. **Scargill's phone lines will be open from 8.30am – 3.45pm daily.**

Stay safe everyone.

**The Whybridge Key Worker contact next week is Mrs Pocock.**

Mrs Warshow



### Senior Staff contacts

**There will be 2 senior staff members on duty each day. These will be from either Scargill Infants, Scargill Juniors or Whybridge Juniors, but all will be do their best to help.**

Call Scargill Infant school office on: **01708 555707** if we can help in any way. This will be from Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2020.

Class teachers and Family Support Workers are also making regular calls to check that everyone is ok and to offer support where they can.

Please be mindful that these staff are calling from their own phones and withholding their number i.e. the caller will show as **'NO CALLER ID'**.

### Easter Opening

We will be offering childcare provision for children of critical key workers and vulnerable children, with no other alternative, during the Easter holidays. **This includes Good Friday and Easter Monday.**

Please call the school office ASAP if you require this service.



### Special mention for home learning work

Class	Name	Class	Name
3A	<b>Billy M</b> For showing lots of creativity in his work and for making his neighbours smile with his lovely rainbow artwork.	5B	<b>Layla F</b> For a lot of great work including her Greek Myth.
3J	<b>Andreea S</b> For working incredibly hard at home, completing her work pack and also doing extra mathematics.	5T	<b>Tyler K</b> For working really hard at home on his work pack. Keep up the hard work. Well done Tyler!
4F	<b>Louis and Isla D</b> For turning their garage into a classroom! I loved seeing all of your hard work up on display. Keep up the super work.	6F	<b>George M</b> Completing lots of Class Dojo tasks and a beautiful rainbow for his window!
4R	<b>Georgia T</b> For beginning to learn sign language at home	6G	<b>Hannah L</b> For making an amazing Spongebob-themed lamp and writing a lovely story.
4T	<b>Charlie W</b> For sharing a variety of activities he has completed on Class Dojo (those cupcakes looked delicious!)		

## A message from Dr Seuss...

The **MORE** that you  
**READ**, the more things  
you will **KNOW**.  
The **MORE** that you  
**Learn**, the more places  
you'll **GO**.

Dr. Seuss

Whitbridge Primary School

## Free School Meals

We will continue to provide food parcels next week for those children who are eligible for Free School Meals. These can be collected from Whybridge Junior School between 11–12 midday on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April. Please let the office know ASAP, and no later than 2pm on Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> April, if you require one of these.

We have now received further guidance from the Department of Education about how to continue to provide free school meals for children who are eligible whilst they are at home.

After the Easter holidays, for those parents who would prefer a food voucher, or are unable to collect their food parcel from school, we will be able to email a weekly £15 e-voucher, per pupil eligible, to spend at a local supermarket – these **do not** include **Lidl** or **Aldi**.



## RESOURCES TO SUPPORT SEND LEARNING

Havering CAD 5-19 Support Team have created a list of websites offering free resources, activities, games and information. Some of these websites have a specific SEND focus or area whilst others have activities grouped by age. The websites below cover a range of needs and curriculum areas including activities to support young people who may be experiencing increased worry and anxiety at this time.

The resources included are there as a guide, not all resources will be appropriate for all children so please preview websites and resources to share those that are appropriate for your children.

**Phonics Play: Username:** March 20 **Password:** home

Lots of interactive games and printable activities to support with phonics, reading and spelling.

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/#>

**The Maths Factor:** created by Carol Vorderman contains teaching videos, practice activities and games for various maths topics at all levels.

<https://www.themathsfactor.com/>

**David Walliams:** <https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/activities/> (activities and tasks related to the books)

<https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/elevenses/> (free audio story)



## MISS RYE and Class 4R



During this really unusual time, Miss Rye has agreed to continue to support Class 4R for one day a week. On **Tuesdays** Miss Rye will upload work for the class and add/receive messages. She will also be calling home to check that everyone is ok. Thank you Miss Rye!

## REMINDERS:

- \*Upload your photos to Class Dojo so we can all see what you're doing at home
- \*Keep your flags coming in. They are all fantastic. Thank you
- \*Knitting/craft challenge – don't forget to knit or sew 6"x6" squares for our Butterfly Room blanket.

### WHYBRIDGE PUPILS LEARNING AT HOME



### WHYBRIDGE STAFF WORKING FROM HOME

