

Monday 30th March 2020

Hi Netherbrook,

I thought that I would write a quick message to say hello. I hope you are all doing ok at home. It is so strange that school is closed, the building feels so lonely, cold and empty without all of you here to bring it alive. But, remember – all of this strangeness will end and we will get back to normal as soon as possible. I look forward to hearing about what you have got up to and seeing some of the learning you have done at home.

Don't forget you can still do an Easter egg decorating competition entry. Send a picture of your entry in to info@netherbrook.dudley.sch.uk if you want to have a go and we will try to publish the pictures so that people can see what you have come up with. If Lower School and Early Years children want to have a go then that's great too. I'll make sure that everyone gets a little prize.

Make sure over the next few weeks that you keep working hard on your home learning packs. Your teachers will send a message to you every day, perhaps talking about what you can be doing today. They will also send you some new work to do after Easter.

Remember – your home learning work is supposed to keep your minds active whilst you're at home – you are not allowed to play computer games all day! Whilst you're off school make sure you help moms and dads around the house with some jobs, keep active – go outside for some fresh air if you can, at least once a day and make sure you wash your hands a lot.

Did you all join in with the big clap last week for the doctors and nurses in the NHS? Wasn't that amazing! I'm sure it will happen again soon. If you missed it, join in next time.

Look after yourselves and each other – if there are any people in your street who are a bit lonely or maybe old and on their own, ask your moms and dads to

maybe drop a note through the door to make sure that everyone is ok and doesn't need anything.

Hasn't it been amazing how people have started to show such kindness to people they barely know. We can all make a difference — just a smile, a 'thank you' or a 'how are you?' Try to be patient at home — it's hard being stuck at home all day — remember that your moms and dads will need a break sometimes too.

Take care and I will see you all again soon.

Stay safe. Stay active. Stay healthy. Stay being brilliant!

Mr P Rawlings

Look, this is me! 😊

Headteacher



