

# TELFORD INFANT SCHOOL



## NEWSLETTER

26th March 2020



Dear Parents and Carers,  
Thank you for all your kind messages and support over the last couple of weeks.

School is a very different place this week. As you know we are only open to a very small number of children – who have been amazing! As I write this they have come inside from a morning of biking and gardening and are now tucking into hot dogs for lunch in the school hall. It is so much quieter than when we have all 270 hungry tummies to fill!

I hope that you are finding the home learning that the teachers are uploading onto the website useful:  
[https://www.telford-inf.warwickshire.sch.uk/web/home\\_learning/457240](https://www.telford-inf.warwickshire.sch.uk/web/home_learning/457240)

Remember to click on the tabs for your child's year group as well as looking at the general resource page which is designed for children across the whole school.

Whether your child is at home or one of the few who have to come to school, we will be there for every one of them over the coming weeks.

Best wishes and stay safe.

Mrs Siân Oustayiannis  
Headteacher

Dear Children,

I hope you are all behaving beautifully for your parents at home and that you have been busy working through the learning your teachers have been sharing on the school website with you. I hope you have been having lots of fun.

I am missing you all and in particular reading you stories in assembly! Are you reading lots of books and sharing stories at home? I do hope so. I am still very busy working but have my nose in a good book whenever I get the chance!

I am thinking of you all,  
Mrs Oustayiannis



**Can you see the picture of the Rainbow on the school front door that one of your friends painted to make you all smile?**

## WHAT ARE OUR STAFF DOING DURING SCHOOL CLOSURE?

The short answer – keeping very busy!

The list is endless but here are some examples:

- \*Writing and sourcing home learning and uploading it onto the website.
  - \*Developing our curriculum
  - \*Planning lessons for when the children return to school
  - \*Writing policies
  - \*Sorting and preparing resources
  - \*Writing the children's target sheets
  - \*Catching up on marking
  - \*Exploring new ways of working and schemes of work
  - \*Reading journals, articles and relevant books to keep ourselves up to date with all the latest in education
  - \*Ensuring that we can keep the school open for a small number of families
  - \*Finalising the school budget and keeping tabs on the school finances
  - \*Ensuring that we remain compliant and that the school building is maintained and kept safe
  - \*Many are also undertaking online training courses – so we will come back even better than we were before!
  - \*We have a daily lunchtime get together on TEAMS (online chat) when we talk about all sorts of things and make each other smile and laugh.
- \*Staff who are not in self isolation or have an underlying health condition are also coming into school in small teams, there aren't many of us each day. We have a different team every school day and are planning to try and carry on over the Easter holidays too!
- This is enabling critical workers to undertake their essential roles while we care for their children. While we know that this puts us and our families at greater risk of catching the virus we too want to play our part.



## Parent Teacher Association

Thank you to our PTA for organising our Mother's Day present room again this year. We hope that all our Telford Infant Mums, Step Mums, Grandmas, Aunties and other special ladies enjoyed being spoiled on Mother's Day!

Thank you too, PTA, for the chocolate eggs you gave the children last Friday. What a lovely treat!

## IMPORTANT - CONTACTING US

If you have any queries or messages **please can you email us:**

**[admin2326@welearn365.com](mailto:admin2326@welearn365.com)**

**rather than phone the school office** for now.

From next week we are significantly reducing the time that our admin staff are onsite and we are unlikely to have a spare adult to answer the phone at all times. Thank you.

## WARWICKSHIRE FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICE

Follow the link below for useful information from the Family Information Service:

**<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies>**

## DIARY DATES

**None for now but...  
WE'LL BE BACK!**