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Dear Parents & Carers,

As is becoming a tradition this term, I wanted to write to you all and keep you updated with goings-on at St Peter's this week and update you with some guidance regarding the remainder of this term.

Remote learning

We have now completed our third week of the term and, as before, it's been inspiring to see how the children and families within our school community are learning from home. Each day children of all ages are sharing their work with staff; the creativity and skill on show from pupils has been wonderful to see. I think it's also only fair that also we recognise the fantastic work being put in by our staff team in providing the remote learning offer we have put together.

Whenever possible, we will continue offering opportunities for the children to get together through our class and Zoom assemblies; these chances to catch up and chat with their teachers and friends are there to give all a sense of reassurance that those they care about in school are safe and well.

This week also saw the introduction of 'Breakfast with Buckley', where I have had the chance to meet with a class early in the day to find out how they are doing with their learning, what they have enjoyed and what they are finding tricky. There will be two more of these with different classes coming next week so keep an eye on your Google Classroom pages for more details.

Communication with Staff

As I explained at the start of term, our staff team are now working on a rota that has them working in school every other week. For our teaching staff, this means they will be planning and delivering lessons from home some weeks. During these weeks it will be easier for teaching staff to respond to any questions/messages from children or parents. I'm sure you understand that, when working in school and teaching the key worker/vulnerable children, it will not be as easy to do this and so please allow for this if/when you attempt to communicate with staff on Google Classroom.

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I am sure that, like myself, you have been impressed with the work on offer for your child so far this term. However, **if you do have any constructive feedback around what is being provided, can I ask that this is sent to the school office by email (office@stpetersprimary.co.uk) or phone (01454631137)**. I can then ensure that this feedback is passed on to staff at an appropriate time, as opposed to it being sent to them directly on Google Classroom.

Starting next week, teaching staff will be making phone calls home each week to as many of their pupils as they can between then and the end of term. Please be reassured that these phone calls are in no way monitoring calls or a way of keeping tabs on anyone; the purpose is to check-in with as many of our families as we can and make sure we are doing everything we can to support you all.

Safeguarding

Please remember that you are able to contact school to report any safeguarding or child protection concerns you may have during this worrying time. These can be sent to our school email address (office@stpetersprimary.co.uk) or by calling the office (0145 631137); if no-one is able to take your call, please leave a message with your name and contact number and either myself or Mr Hunt will be in touch ASAP.

Alternatively, the following individuals/teams are still working within our local area and can also be contacted to report any safeguarding/child protection concerns:

Local Authority's Designated Officer (LADO)

Tina Wilson 01454868508 / Tina.Wilson@southglos.gov.uk

South Gloucestershire Access & Response Team

01454 866000 / accessandresponse@southglos.gov.uk

Finally, once again a huge 'thank you' for your continued support of our school during this time. I'd like to wish you all a safe and enjoyable weekend; please don't hesitate to get in touch if you need anything at all.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Buckley'.

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