



LLANTRISANT PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all well and healthy.

I would like to thank you for all your efforts over the past weeks in supporting, encouraging and motivating your children to access and complete the work sent from school. We hope the arrangements are going well for you and your children. It is heartening to see the engagement between pupils and staff as they communicate via distance learning.

It is clear that the pupils are keeping busy at home and finding inventive and different ways of learning - seeing the results of all their work and the various activities in your communications with the teachers and myself is lovely - thank you for sharing your photos and messages.

We know this is not an easy situation but please try not to worry that your children are missing lessons and remember, parents are not expected to recreate a 'school' as it usually is. The support and encouragement you give your children is going to make a big difference. The physical and mental health and wellbeing of pupils, staff and parents is of paramount importance in these very unusual times.

After the Whitsun half term, additional emergency childcare hubs will be opening in RCT. This increase is to address the growth in demand for emergency childcare across the County Borough. However, RCT continues to advise schools that emergency childcare should only be made available to a limited number of children. We must endeavour to keep the number of children in educational and childcare settings to the smallest number possible.

Please note that there is no official confirmation on when the re-opening of all schools in Wales will take place. We have however been provided with reassurance by the Minister of Education that a three week notice period will be given prior to any phased re-opening of schools. All national and local decisions will be informed by the current medical advice and guidance so that the health, safety and wellbeing of our children, school staff and communities is protected.

Please be aware that because of the increased demand on staff time to work at the emergency childcare hubs weekly, there may be a need for all staff to ensure the quantity of distance learning is balanced fairly against their hub commitments so they are able to successfully achieve the requirements of both these roles. Therefore, please bear in mind that all members of staff are still available to give advice or support via e-mail, however they may not be able to respond immediately to any questions you may have or any work submitted.

Lastly, it is very important to remember that this situation will improve and that we will be back together again as a school - hopefully soon.

I wish all pupils, parents and staff, a happy Whitsun half term.

Yours sincerely,

Lisa Davies (Head teacher)

