Dear Parents/Carers

I hope this finds you all well!

The Easter Holidays are in sight! Clocks Spring forward this weekend so the days stretching always helps to lift spirits!  You’ll be relieved to hear that this should hopefully be my last Fishermoss Family Friday update for this term as we are on Holiday Good Friday 2nd April.

Pupils continue to impress us with their efforts to cope with all that is to be remembered in relation to infection control measures and the step change in rigour.  We also continue to be so grateful to all of you for your ongoing support in playing your part to assist as much as you possibly can!  We can’t do this without your help as we rely on families and their own efforts around rules, the FACTS and infection control. We know this involves many sacrifices which we are all having to make.  Thank you for all the conversations you have with your children about why things are a bit different for now. We all continue to do our best! As our First Minister said this week,

‘A return to greater normality for the country is now much more in sight. Of course, all that remains dependent on us continuing to suppress the virus.  So – for now – it is vital that everyone continues to follow the stay at home rule, except for essential purposes, and to continue to follow all of the FACTS guidance. That is how we will continue to protect ourselves and each other and it is how we will get back, I hope soon, to a much more normal way of life.’

We remain encouraged at the efforts of our families to do the right thing. We are so grateful to you once again for getting your **children to school on time** with hands washed, having **one adult** at drop off and pick up, keeping to **2m distancing** outside school, wearing **face masks**, **discouraging playing on the embankment** and **going home, protecting the NHS and saving lives!**

**A reminder again of the message** from the NHS is in relation to symptoms of the new variant.  Symptoms can include extreme tiredness, sore throat, headache, bit of a cough, even diarrhoea. The message remains, if there are symptoms of any sort, however mild, anything at all making your child feel ‘under the weather’ then **do not send them to school!** Schools have been advised to continue to have a ‘low threshold’ and are required to send pupils home immediately for anything that indicates they are feeling unwell.

**What should I do if my child is unwell?** If your child is unwell, please do not send them to school.  If your child is unwell but they are not displaying symptoms of coronavirus, please keep them at home until they are back in good health. For vomiting and/or diarrhoea, as per normal circumstances, they should remain at home for at least 48 hours after symptoms have passed. This now also relates to a fever or high temperature (alongside a negative coronavirus result) and they should not return to school for at least 48 hours after symptoms have passed.

A wee reminder that school will be closed Friday 2nd April until we return on Monday 19th April.

Wishing our Fishermoss Family a very special Easter and School Holiday when they arrive!

Thank you so much, as always, for your support.

Take care.

Kindest regards

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