



Newsletter

Friday 27th March 2020

Dear Parents,

We've come to the end of our first week of the enforced closure. I hope that everyone is staying safe and well. School feels very different without you all.

We proudly remain open for children of key workers to enable them to complete their important work during this challenging time and I am grateful to the skeleton staff who are coming in.

We have been uploading learning opportunities to the website in the 'Home learning' section almost daily and have added some new stories in the 'Reading for pleasure' section read by staff.

Please look out for some extra phonics advice today if you are helping your child at home.

I understand that you want to help your children at home and it can be challenging to make sense of all the resources you have been given. Please remember that our teachers have trained for 3 or 4 years at University and we work in a school with many, many resources available to us! Please do not underestimate the huge impact of listening to your children read and sharing stories with them will have. Having daily conversations with your child can hugely influence the amount of words they can use.

If you do have any questions about learning or concerns about your child's wellbeing during the closure please do not hesitate to email me on head@holtsmereinfants.herts.sch.uk we are happy to help.

I just wanted to share with you how two of our children have been making use of their extra time (before the lockdown!). Alfie and Harry made a wonderful cake and took it to a local care home. 😊



Take care,

Mrs O'Connell