

## Pinfold Primary School Newsletter January 2020



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'Small but mighty!'

Dear all,

I hope you are all keeping safe and well. We miss you all and are looking forward to the time when we are all safe and together again. Our staff have been working hard to ensure school is open for Key worker children so a massive thank you to them. Also a massive thank you to all the children and families who have been working hard and accessing all the online learning that we have been posting on the website or using the paper copies provided. If you have any photos of the exciting lock down activities you have been engaged in then please send them in and I will post them on the website and our Facebook page. Staff are working hard behind the scenes preparing for September, writing curriculum plans and thinking of the next exciting trips we can go on together. Mrs Halstead has had a nightmare trying to get the school meal vouchers out to everyone, a massive thank you to her and to you all for being patient.

One of our local neighbours Mary, who is in isolation and seen no one has written a poem about all the local wildlife and wanted children to draw some pictures for a competition so if you have any drawings please take a photo of them or scan them and send them in so I can get them to her. The poem is on the website.

I am waiting for Lancashire County Council guidance before we can issue any details of how lockdown is moving forward. I will let everyone know as soon as a plan is in place.

I saw this piece- so eloquently written and wanted to share it with you all.

**WE ARE NOT IN THE SAME BOAT ...**

I heard that we are all in the same boat, but it's not like that. We are sailing in the same storm, but not in the same boat. Your ship could be shipwrecked and mine might not be. Or vice versa.

For some, quarantine is welcomed. A moment of reflection, of re-connection, easy in flip flops, with a cocktail or coffee. For others, this is a desperate financial & family crisis.

For some that live alone they're facing endless loneliness. While for others it is peace, rest & time with their mother, father, sons & daughters.

Some are bringing in extra money with endless overtime, Others are working more hours for less money due to pay cuts or loss in sales. Others no longer have a job.

Some families of 4 will receive £5000 per month from the stimulus while other families of 4 will see £0 for the duration of it.

Some were concerned about getting a certain chocolate for Easter while others were concerned if there would be enough bread and milk for the weekend.

Some want to go back to work because they don't qualify for unemployment and are running out of money. Others want to kill those who break the quarantine and are seen outside.

Some are home spending 2-3 hours/day helping their child with online schooling while others are spending 2-3 hours/day to educate their children on top of a 10-12 hour workday.

Some have experienced the near death of the virus, some have already lost someone from it and some are not sure if their loved ones are going to make it. Others don't believe this is a big deal.

So, friends, we are not in the same boat. We are going through a time when our perceptions and needs are completely different.

Each of us will emerge, in our own way, from this storm. It is very important to see beyond what is seen at first glance. Not just looking, actually seeing.

We are all on different ships during this storm experiencing a very different journey so don't judge others by what's happening in your boat, we are all just fighting our way through the storm.

Good luck to you all and we'll see you in the calm . Mrs Tjaveondja and the Pinfold team x



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### Year 6 transitions

We have begun talking to the feeder secondary schools. Mrs Zaim has already chatted with a few transition teachers and I have been in touch with SENCos. We are not sure of the way forward yet but please put your minds at rest and be assured we are already putting plans in place and will let you know as soon as we know.



### **PE updates:**

I know a lot of people have been exercising with Joe Wickes on you tube each morning however WLSP have bought in to the amazing Les Mills app so all children can have a dance with 'Born to Move'. I have put this on the Home Learning page of our website but if you have not looked yet to access the 'Born to Move' material you should either download the Les Mills Born to Move App from the App Store or the Play Store or access through the web browser <https://borntomove.lesmills.com>.

You can then login using your unique school details below and you will then have access to all of the subscriber content.

**Your School Login/user name:** bursar@pinfold.lancs.sch.uk **password:** pinfold123

Please can you also search for and then 'like' (so you are notified of updates) the West Lancashire Sport Partnership Facebook Page. They are updating content on their Facebook page daily and there will be lots of fun and exciting things to get involved in (presented by some familiar faces).

I have also been putting the weekly PE plans and ideas on our Home Learning and now class webpages. I hope some of you joined in the Big Camp. If you have any photos please email them to me or the bursar and we can put them on our website and Facebook page.