

To all the children at Pike Fold Primary,

As we start our second week apart, we wanted to get in touch with you all to pass on a message and make sure you know you are all in our thoughts each and every day. At the moment things do seem really different and what used to be normal has changed, which might feel a bit odd for some of you and hard to get used to. We, as grown-ups, feel exactly the same. But things will settle down soon and you will have a routine at home like you have when you are at school. We know lots of you may be worried about the virus that is making people sick. We are all having to spend some time at home as the people in charge of our country want to control the spread of that virus. They think they can look after us better and find the cure quicker if we stay apart for a while. So, we must be brave and strong and do what they say. It won't last forever, our wonderful NHS teams in our hospitals are working very hard looking after people and scientists are looking into finding a cure. Everyone is working as a big team to help the country and you are part of that big team too. It's a bit like most fairy tales, where the characters need to solve or overcome a problem. There is always a happy ending where things end up better than they were before. This is one of those times.

I know lots of you are working just as hard at home as you do at school on the work teachers have set. Don't forget, if you have any worries you can contact your teachers via email to the school office and our office staff will make sure they get your message. I also know that some concerns have been resolved via Dojo. Please ask you parents or carers to email school too if they need to ask anything or have any concerns. We are doing our best to be here for you all.

We hope you have been able to spend some time in the sunshine last week —safely looking for the signs of Spring on the way. We are sure a lot of you will have been doing some gardening or helping with outdoor jobs. Try to be helpful around the house, as you are round school and remember to be kind to each other. Our school rules can also be applied at home Ready, Respectful and Safe! You might even learn some new skills whilst you are away like baking, sewing, gardening, drawing, cleaning etc. All our teachers will be so excited to hear about your home learning and adventures when we all meet again.

Remember, before you know it, we will all be back at school, learning, playing and having fun together. For those of you in year 6 and are preparing to leave us this, please don't think you could escape without saying goodbye. We will ensure you have an amazing leaver's party, even if it is in September! I will ensure you will all meet up again and get shirts signed, something I know you all look forward too!

We miss you all very much. Pike Fold just isn't the same without all our lovely children in it. We are thinking about you and your families and hoping that you are all safe and well.

It is very important you stay safe and listen to what the government on television tell you to do. They, like us want you to keep safe.

Sending our best wishes to you all, Mrs Farnell-Hill and all the staff at Pike Fold.

P.S Don't forget to post your sunshine pictures in the window this week! We would also like to see them on Dojo so get posting!

