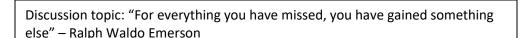
KIRKLEES METROPOLITAN COUNCIL EDUCATION SERVICE HANGING HEATON CE (VC) JUNIOR AND INFANT SCHOOL

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Covid update

As you will know, we are now in National lockdown. Briefly this means that:-

1. We should stay at home, except for specific purposes (ie: exercise, work, medical, education)

2. We should avoid meeting people we do not live with, except for specific purposes. You may meet outdoors in a public place or exercise with one other person outside your household or support bubble.

3. Certain businesses and venues will be closed.

Full information can be found <u>here</u>. It is essential that we follow this advice in order to keep us all safe in school as well as the fact that it is now the law.

We have had no further cases in school though we do have close family members of our children who have tested positive and a number of our families are self isolating. This brings it home to us that it is prevalent in our local community and we really do need to take care to protect ourselves and those around us.

In school, the changing rules mean that we have a reduced staffing capacity which presents us with some real challenges. We are able to keep children safe and continue learning, however reading books etc may not be changed as frequently as previously so please be patient. Children are always welcome to read books that you have at home or on <u>Oxford Owls</u> website.

Teaching staff are working particularly hard to ensure that remote learning and feedback is available for those who are self isolating as well as their usual classroom duties. Headlice - Because we are working on reduced contacts rather than social distancing for our children, it appears we have an unfortunate return of headlice. Please check your child(ren)'s hair regularly and comb and treat where necessary. Children who can, must tie hair back. Thank you.

<u>Remembrance Sunday</u> - this Sunday St Paul's Church will join with churches in Batley for a special Online Remembrance Sunday Service.

To join the service please look out for the links <u>here</u>. Email <u>markumpleby@hotmail.com</u> for more details. Also, children could create artwork of poppies to display in windows to show their respect.

<u>Thank you</u>: We received a wonderful array of produce to send on to Batley Food Bank. Many thanks to those who donated for their generosity.

Understanding and managing anxiety

Salma Mahmood our Family Emotional Health link worker from Northorpe Hall is running a virtual session on Monday 9th November at 1.30pm around the above topic. If you are interested, please contact me via email on <u>headt.hangingheaton@kirkleeseducation.uk</u> or on 01924 463035 and I will send out the meeting invitation.

This could be particularly helpful in our current climate.

"Let all that you do be done in love"