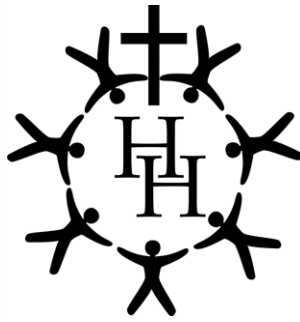


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News Sheet

Discussion topic: "I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot; together we can do great things." Mother Teresa

8th January, 2021

Remote Learning

Well done for the amazing efforts of so many of our families this week to get up and running so quickly.

We are getting in touch with families who have not yet managed in order to give additional support if needed.

We completely understand that our working day may not fit with the times you are able to support your children, particularly KS1 who will find it difficult to complete tasks independently. We will respond during the school day but work can be uploaded when you have chance including at weekends if this is more convenient.

Wellbeing of our children

Coronavirus has caused everyone's lives to change and the future feels very uncertain. Both change and uncertainty can be big causes of anxiety. So it's not surprising that worry is a feature of our lives at present. Here are eight simple steps, based on research into childhood anxiety, to help you to support your child - whatever their age - at this difficult time.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z6ksy9g>

Dear Parents/Carers,

First of all may I wish you all the best for 2021. I hope that it turns out to be a happy, healthy and peaceful new year for all of our school community. Unfortunately it hasn't started out the way we all hoped although many of us had our fears. It is such a shame after so many people have worked hard over a lengthy period of time that we find ourselves in the position where school is only open for vulnerable and keyworker children.

Contrary to the media hype against school staff, I must point out that at no point did any of my colleagues here at HH refuse to attend school. Even those who are clinically extremely vulnerable or otherwise vulnerable knew that the best place for children to be was in school and were willing to do their bit to support this effort. All this, despite knowing the significant risks that this would have inevitably presented for them, just as they did when infection rates were much higher in our local area.

Just like you, we were notified at 8pm on Monday that primary schools should not open for the majority of our pupils.

Just like you, we quickly had to make plans to suit our children.

Just like you, we are concerned about the impact on our children.

And just like you, we want the best for our children.

We will do our utmost to provide learning, support and guidance for all of our community and show that we are all in this together and are all aiming for that shared goal of meeting our children's needs at this very tricky and challenging time.

To this end: you can contact class teachers via Seesaw or myself on 01924 463035 or head.hangingheaton@kirkleeseducation.uk

Stay safe, Mrs J Potter

"Let all that you do be done in love"