

# Newsletter May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

## **School re-opening**

We will let you know, when we know! There is currently lots of differing reporting within the media regarding possible return to schools. At this time there is no Government guidance on this. The Government has promised that Headteachers will be made aware and given plenty of notice for future plans. I have initial ideas and plans in place for a phased return, when announced, however, until more information is available, these are only ideas and plans. What is clear is that, in the first instance, any return will be phased and with limited numbers of pupils and staff at school at any one time to keep the social distancing rules and everyone safe. As and when more information is available, I will share the course of action decided upon at that time.

## **Your Contact Details.**

The recent situation has highlighted that a number of you have changed email address, telephone numbers and even home address but have not informed us. Unfortunately, this then makes it impossible for us to contact you easily! Please call the office if you think this applies to you.

## **Home Learning**

Well done Team Hogarth, you are doing an amazing job, accessing your home learning. It is clear that across Hogarth Academy, around 60% of pupils are undertaking home learning through the J2e online learning platform. It is very important that your child completes the work set to ensure they have routine, are keeping minds active and challenged, are practicing skills and developing knowledge appropriate to their age/ability level. A huge thanks to those who are sharing their children's learning through email and Social Media – keep it coming. It is great to see.

## **Free School Meal Entitlement and Vouchers**

There may be many of you, who in these difficult times, could be eligible to access Free School Meals. If you have any questions, please contact us and we will answer any questions in complete confidence or check out the NCC website for more information. A huge thank you for your patience whilst we dealt with the ever-crashing government website. We will continue to pass on the vouchers until such time as school opens to provide meals.

## **Good Morning Hogarth**

As usual our weekly updates are continuing to be uploaded to Youtube, please check it out, my thanks to Miss Cooper and Mrs Rowley for organising this every week.

## **Bank Holiday Quiz!!**

I am uploading a VE day / bank holiday quiz onto the website this weekend. A prize will go to the family who send in their answers by next Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2020, with all the correct answers of course, either by email or post or some other creative means!

## **And finally, ....**

I just wanted to say a huge thanks to those who have sent us lovely, positive comments, either in person or via email, it is really appreciated. The community spirit at Hogarth Academy is still just as strong whilst we are apart! Take care out there

Ms Lee