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*“For the Father loves the Son and shows him all he does. Yes, to your amazement he will show him even greater things than these.” John 5:20*

Dear Parents,

It has been a week with many challenges and the situation which we find ourselves in still seems quite unbelievable. I would like to thank all of our parents for their kind words and support during this week. We have received some lovely messages and emails which have truly brightened up our days.

Please know that even though we are closed to most children that we will still be here if you need us for anything. During the day, please feel free to phone if you need someone to talk to and I am even happy to speak to children on the phone and use my 'headteacher voice' if need be! During our outdoor worship session this afternoon, I told all the children that the most important thing is for them to behave beautifully, all the time whilst they are at home. We also shared the Childline number, 0800 1111, and let them know that if they need to talk to someone about their worries, they can always use this number.

We have made good progress with setting up online learning but it is likely that this will evolve during the time that school is closed. Again, teachers will be available to help with any issues related to learning.

Finally, all I can say to our school community is what I said to the children earlier today: we may not be seeing each other every day but we will be thinking of each other. These are difficult days but we pray that they will not last for too long. We hope that we will be back before the end of the school year and that we might even be able to squeeze in a Sports Day and enjoy some time playing on the field.

Keep safe everyone!

With love to all of our school community,

Carolyn Singleton

**Key workers** – thank you to everyone who has been in touch regarding their key worker status. As the earlier message stated this morning, on Monday and Tuesday of next week, the childcare facility for children of key workers will only be available to children where both parents are key workers or where a lone parent is a key worker. We have been overwhelmed with the number of requests for this service and it is important that we ensure that the provision is safe, manageable and sustainable.

At the beginning of next week, we will start to consider how we can accommodate more children. It is highly possible that where only one parent is a key worker, we will offer attendance at the provision on a part time basis and we would ask that parents please bear this in mind when making plans.

The very clear message coming from government is that parents should only use this childcare provision when absolutely necessary and that if it is at all possible to organise working patterns in a different way or find alternative childcare, to do so. The purpose of closing schools is to minimise the transmission of the virus and for this measure to be effective, it is important that the numbers are kept as low as possible.

It has been suggested that we should ask for proof that parents are key workers and although I was initially reluctant to do this, it does seem like it is probably a necessity to ensure fair access to the provision. I would be grateful if parents could please either bring this with them on the first morning which their child attends the provision or if they can scan it in and send it to [info@broughtonprimary.co.uk](mailto:info@broughtonprimary.co.uk).

It is difficult to know how long this provision will be in place for. The provision will be flexible and if parents who are key workers have chosen not to access the service initially, they can always contact us later on if there is a change in circumstances.

Please know that we are trying our very best to meet everyone's needs in regard to using the childcare facility but that it is important that we keep the adults leading it and the children using it as safe as possible by keeping numbers as low as necessary to meet essential need.

The facility will run from 8.00am until 4.30pm and hot school meals will be available. If you would like your child to have sandwiches, please provide these.

**Please do not bring your child to school on Monday morning unless both parents are key workers, or in the case of lone parents if the parent is a key worker.** I really do not wish to be involved in any awkward encounters where I am having to turn parents and children away at the school gates. If you have any queries about this, I will be accessing my school email throughout the weekend, so please email: [head@broughtonprimary.co.uk](mailto:head@broughtonprimary.co.uk).

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in regards to the provision of childcare.

<b>Class</b>	<b>Child</b>	<b>Reason for Award – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March</b>
Teddy's	Theo	Great comments about Puffin Peter.
Teddy's	Ayesha	Increased concentration during carpet sessions.
Ash	Sienna	Producing some excellent independent writing.
	Joshua W	Trying really hard in everything he does.
Beech	Evie	Always giving 100% in everything she does.
	Sophie	Always being a 'Responsibility Rhino'.
Elm	Ben	His fantastic writing! This week he has been overflowing with different ideas and vocabulary!
	Lucas	Lucas has shown great perseverance with his English and maths work. He should be very proud of how hard he works every day! Continue the great work Lucas!
Oak	Ayaanah	Showing enthusiasm and determination in all areas of learning.
	Sienna	Always being a polite and considerate member of the class.
Yew	Lila	Planning and carrying out a scientific investigation in which she measured and recorded her results accurately.
	Rhys	Showing all the traits of a model pupil.
Year 3	Harvey	Using wonderful expression and intonation when reading and speaking in front of others.
	Zara	An infectious smile and positive attitude which brightens up the classroom.
Year 4	Isabella	Super discussion of themes in guided reading.
	Isaac	Always being kind and ready to help others.
Year 5	Saqlain	His excellent work on describing personal victory's and linking them to our RE topic.
	Dilan	Always completing his work with enthusiasm.
Year 6	Jack	Great participation in class discussions and thinking more carefully about his word choices when writing
	Olivia	Great effort in all of her work – participating well in discussions and collaborating with others.

## **Science Challenge**

Thank you for all of the fantastic entries to our science challenge! Alex Latham made the best raft that held 717g without sinking. James Hibberd followed in a close second with his raft holding 700g. Jack Hart came 3rd with his raft that held 124g without sinking. It is wonderful to see the all of the super science investigations that are taking place at home! Miss Duckworth