



Cringleford Home Learning

Headteacher's daily blog

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Dear Parents / Carers

What a difference a week makes! The weather on Saturday and Sunday meant that options for going out seemed less interesting, but I hope you enjoyed the weekend regardless of the cooler temperature and showers.

I am very conscious that as the country faces a sense of uncertainty about how we will all adjust to the challenges of opening up the economy, but still staying safe and needing to maintain social distancing, there is likely to be a growing sense of frustration that things are simply not able to go back to what they were for quite some time. All of us who have had to go shopping or do simple routine things recently know that everything is a much slower process and I, for one, need to develop more patience! I hope as a school community we continue to understand the constraints that we are all experiencing, whether it is trying to get back to work, having to juggle home learning with child care or trying to teach in school with social distancing affecting all aspects of normal school life. We all need to try to empathise with one another as I feel this period of time is going to continue to be challenging for everybody.

One of the last assemblies before lockdown was based on the story of the Good Samaritan and we discussed with the children about what it means to be a good neighbour and to treat others as we want to be treated. There have been so many great examples of how everyone has taken this to heart during the lockdown period and I really hope this continues. The protests around the world against racism are another reminder that we owe it to our children and ourselves to treat everyone with equal respect and dignity.

I hope this week's home learning goes well for everyone. We all needed resilience at the start of lockdown and probably need it even more as the current arrangements continue for the foreseeable future. The government has not yet indicated what the situation might be like in September and I will let you know as soon as there is any clear guidance from the DfE or the Local Authority. I am sure much will depend on the R rate dropping and looking to see what other countries, which were affected by Covid-19 earlier than us, are considering.

I have attached the latest South Norfolk bulletin which contains a lot of useful local contact information.

Wishing you all the best

Neil Henery