

Dear parents and carers,

I hope everyone is keeping well. I just wanted to send a message to you all, as the Easter Holidays (!) draw to a close.

As a school we would like to thank you all for your continuing support. We now have a lovely banner displayed outside the school (you can see a picture of it on the school website) and the PTA has organised a video message from some of our children (which made us all smile and cry!) The PTA have also organised supplies for children's breakfasts and healthy snacks going forward. Other parents have sent in bakery items and Easter eggs to keep the children (and staff) going. We would like to thank you for this, and the way families have given the school time to adjust to a new way of working. Your patience and understanding at this time has been quite incredible. We want to reassure you that the school office is open every morning so if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us – we are here to help.

We now know which children will be joining us in EYFS for September so as soon as we have the families' email addresses we will be sending out welcome letters to our newest pupils. School never really stops!

For families entitled to free school meals we have been working hard to get vouchers out to you. Unfortunately the government sponsored site has been overwhelmed with processing so many vouchers in a short timescale, so there have been some delays. If you have not received your first voucher please let the school office know next week. In school our chef, Mr Disney, is continuing to provide healthy lunches each day. If your child is still attending school we are asking for a contribution to cover food costs, please check for details with the school office.

The first week of the Summer Term Home Learning (Endangered Animals) has just gone 'live' on the website with videos, from each year group, introducing the new topic. These can be viewed by clicking on the link within each year group's introduction (the password is Eastbrook1). The year group emails are also being used to share the video links and to direct you to the resources on the website. Please can you encourage your children to keep sending messages and work in, via these emails, so that we can start putting together a newsletter to share some of the fantastic home learning that is taking place. We also want to make some special displays for when the children are back in school.

I hope that you are all staying safe and that you have a good weekend. We will stay in touch.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "J. Sherlock". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.