March 26th - Working From Home idea (WFH)

Dear all,

Thank you for the messages of support of various types to the staff and about updates etc, it is much appreciated and keeps the morale up. If you don't want to use the updates then please just delete the e-mails entitled date and WFH (working from home). The e-mails are sent by contact for each child not per family (to ensure everyone gets them). Once again thank you on behalf of the staff and myself for your amazing support at this difficult time. If you are someone in the front line then 'thank you' and we will keep doing our 'bit' to support you (if you become someone who changes role and are desperate for child care then please contact us - the same 'rules' apply regarding 'we are a last resort')

School staff who 'volunteered' to be in school to support the people who need to be there are on a 3 week rota (over the Easter holidays as well) to ensure those front line workers can continue to do their vital work, as long as they are fit and healthy we can keep this model going.

Breakfast Club is no longer operating.

The advice from the government is still the same 'stay at home' if you possibly can.

Any communication with school can be done by e-mailing admin@madley.hereford.sch.uk - rarely is there anyone in the office but we will respond to your e-mail at some point.

<u>Ideas</u>

- <u>Education City</u> if you have been trying to use it then you may have noticed that it has crashed due an unprecedented rise in users. It should be back up and running after work last night by the company.
- <u>Art ideas</u> Mrs Delahoy (who helps us with art at school has set up a Facebook page for ideas) -

As promised I have now set up an Art Club Facebook page and have just added the first art activity - Japanese Notan inspired Paper Cut designs.

My page is **@ArtClubwithMrsDelahoy**, feel free to share with parents, friends or anyone you think would find it useful. I'm hoping to post a couple of projects if not more each week while we are in lockdown.

- <u>Art idea</u> - attached is a photo of a piece of work by an artist who only used printed text. The face is actually about 6ft high and is made entirely of a poem. You can do a similar thing but smaller, a face, a tree...... anything. The language could be associated with the picture and can be as hard or as simple as you want (works for all ages).

- <u>Online resources</u> 10-20 minutes on different things like Spelling Shed or TT Rock Stars. Limit your child's time on-line or habits will form that are hard to break.
- <u>Structure</u> it is really important to implement a structure during the working week for your children. Set times to do things, have breaks (school times given in an earlier e-mail) and set the weekend up differently. Some times need to be paper based, some time doing activity, some time doing practical things like cookery, construction or art.
- <u>Science challenge</u> how are you getting on with 'Honda advert' (cause and effect challenge) 'Honda The Cog' on You Tube. You can set different challenges for yourselves start simply with dominoes, wooden blocks, sticks then develop ideas further.
- <u>Values</u> after yesterdays appeal for people to support the NHS (over 500,000 volunteers and rising) why not make a list of the top 10 kindness acts the children have done, will do this could be a poster to display in your window or in the house. There was also ideas about a paper aeroplane of kindness thoughts.
- Twitter (@MadleyPrimarySc) more resources/ideas are retweeted and, if you feel it appropriate, share some of your work.
- Teachers will be updating work on the website and giving ideas as appropriate (next week). We do not have the capability to send worksheets (and often they take longer to produce than to complete!).

Keep safe and enjoy the sunshine

Regards

Mr Batstone

Attachments

collage poem face.jpg