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Dear Parents

I hope you and your family have had a good weekend despite the weather. Last week was a week of mixed feelings for the staff and myself. Whilst it was a delight to welcome some more of our children back into school, we very much miss our children who are still working from home.

I'd like to say a big thank you to the returning children and parents, who adapted well to the many enforced changes. The children have returned to a very different environment in their `separated` bubbles and are certainly expert handwashers!

I also need to say a huge well done and thank you to all our children who are working so hard at home. I know that it isn't easy to keep motivated. We recognise that managing the home learning must be even harder if you, the parent, needs to work from home too, or have children in a number of different year groups. If this is the case, please prioritise – there is no need to do everything. Simply completing the following every day, will have a positive impact on your child's learning and they should be able to do so independently:

Bug Club: Rec-Y3 <https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0>

Reading plus: Y4-Y6 <https://student.readingplus.com/seereader/api/sec/login>

TTSRockstars: Y3-Y6 <https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student/42138>

Numbots : Rec-Y3 <https://play.numbots.com/#/account/school-login/42138> (until Wednesday only)

Hit the Button: All ages <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>.

It may help to remind your child that their teachers are checking their progress on these programs.

It was lovely that so many of our Year 3, 4 and 5 children were able to join us for our virtual catch up session on Friday. Unfortunately, there were a few technical hitches and a very sudden ending to our Year 4 session but hopefully we have learnt from them and the next sessions will run perfectly. I really enjoyed the opportunity to see each and every child who joined us. Please don't worry if you missed it - there will be more coming up. We will send out an email with the meeting date, time, ID and password.

It has been confirmed that Evolution Sports will be running a Sports Camp over the Summer Holidays. They will be holding this at Wesham CE School in the PAV building and field. The children will be in bubbles of 15 as required under current guidelines. If you want more details, please look at the Evolution Sports Education Facebook page, email k.olloman@evolutionsportseducation.com or contact Kieran on 07597 050935.

Finally, please also find attached to my email, a letter about the Lancashire School Games Virtual Festival, which is due to take place tomorrow on Tuesday 30th, starting with a celebration video a 10.00am. There are a range of events to take part in and each child has the opportunity to improve their personal best score. We had such a fabulous response to our Virtual Sports Day we thought the children might enjoy this too!

Please stay safe and don't hesitate to get in touch via email head@kirkhamwesham.lancs.sch.uk, messenger on our school Facebook page (both are being checked regularly) or by ringing school.

With very best wishes

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