Dear Parents and Carers and the Moorfield children,

I hope you are all well and have enjoyed engaging in the learning set by your class teachers this week and last? It has been great to see examples of this on the school twitter page both from those in school and at home.

I have asked school staff not to be setting any academic work for children over the Easter holiday period.

Children, at such an uncertain and anxious time, need rest and relaxation away from school work and the break is also essential for our dedicated staff who, as you know, are considered to be key workers during the COVID-19 response. They too need a holiday period and to take a much needed break from their duties, helping to protect their health and wellbeing by having time to switch off mentally and physically, to recuperate and spend time with their own family.

Teachers will resume setting tasks after the holiday period.

The school will be open to key worker families over the Easter holidays, however the school office will be closed for the Easter break and reopen to phone calls on Monday 20th April. If you need to contact us then please email admin@moorfield.stockport.sch.uk

This email address will be checked on a daily basis and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

As per the governments request, staff have generously offered to support our 'Critical Workers' by ensuring childcare provision for children at school who require us as a last resort. We remind you to heed the Public Health England and government advice:

"Every child who can safely be cared for at home, should be."

A reminder our Picture News resources are attached if you want to engage in this with your child at home.

A thank you again to all of our parents who are NHS staff and other critical workers for what you are doing at this moment in time. And a thank you to all of the Moorfield community for the support you have shown.

I hope you all have a great Easter break.

Best wishes,

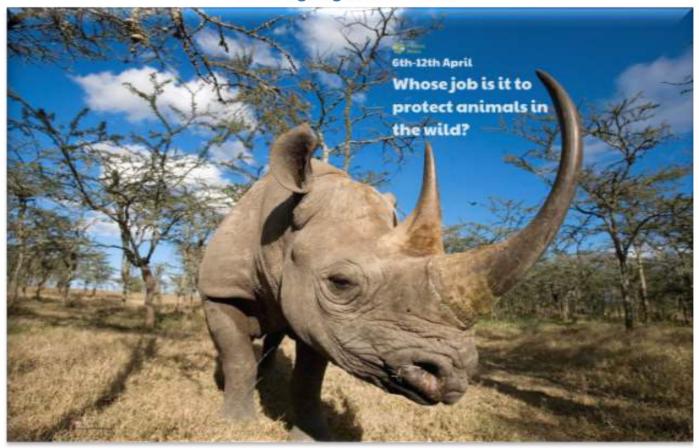
Mr Anderson







6<sup>th</sup> April 2020 What's going on this week?



There's good news coming from Africa. After huge conservation efforts, the number of critically endangered black rhinoceroses is slowly increasing, according to the latest figures released by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN). The numbers show that the population has grown at a rate of 2.5% per year over the past six years. The species is still in danger; susceptible to poaching and a changing habitat due to the changing climate. Yet, the population growth provides hope that efforts put into saving the species are paying off.

Things to talk about at home...

- Can you talk about your favourite wild animals? What is it you like about them?
- Do you think leaders and people in charge of different countries need to do more to help endangered animals, or do you think charities and people need to do more?